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Ian Hall elected county councillor as Andrew Moulding vacates seat

CONSERVATIVE VICTORIES ACROSS THE AREA BUT INDEPENDENTS WIN IN OTTER VALLEY AND SEATON

IAN Hall is the new county councillor for Axminster. He triumphed in last week's Devon County Council election, keeping the Axminster seat – vacated by Andrew Moulding – a Conservative one.

Councillor Hall gained 1,741 votes, ahead of Paul Hayward (Independent East Devon Alliance) on 1,322, Bill Foster (Lib Dem) on 320 and Labour's Jeremy Walden on 306.

His win means that Councillor Hall now has a hat-trick of seats in local government, already being a member of East Devon District Council and Axminster Town Council.

He gave a brief acceptance speech after the count at Knowle, Sidmouth, saying: "Two years ago I stood for district and I never thought I would be here. Thank you ever so much for everyone's support."

"Thank you to the staff, the returning officer and all those people who actually believe that I am able to influence from within."

In a separate statement issued to *Pulman's Weekly News* he said: "I will try, as always, to influence from within and will always do my best to represent the people I serve."

Shortly after the count, Paul Hayward told *Pulman's Weekly News*: "First of all, congratu-

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lations to Ian. I hope he does everything he can and stands up for and speaks out for Axminster and protects our public services.

"I can't take anything away from Ian, my vote increased from last time but his campaign convinced more people. Democracy has been served. I'd like to thank everyone who supported me for having the belief that an independent candidate can change the way that local government operates."

Councillor Hall stood because his fellow Conservative Andrew Moulding, who'd held the seat for eight years, decided to stand down.

● THE two-candidate Axminster Town Council by-election for a Weycroft Ward seat was won by Sue Clarke on 286 votes.

The only other candidate, Michael Featherstone finished on 138 votes.

Ms Clarke was expected to attend her first

town council meeting on Monday evening as *Pulman's Weekly News* went to press

● AXMINSTER resident Iain Chubb added more blue to the final standings after he was elected as county council representative for the Whimble and Blackdown division.

Cllr Chubb, who also holds a cabinet position on East Devon District Council said: "I would like to thank the residents of the Whimble and Blackdown ward for making the effort to go out and cast their vote."

"I will now be part of a strong team that always put the residents first when making decisions at County Hall."

"This ward is a very large area to represent and I will work to the best of my ability to serve the whole community from Whimble across to the borders of Somerset and all the parishes in between."

RESULTS

AXMINSTER: Ian Hall, Conservative, 1,741 (elected); Paul Hayward, Independent East

Devon Alliance, 1,322; Bill Foster, Liberal Democrat, 320; Jeremy Walden, Labour, 306 (turnout: 40 per cent).

FENITON & HONITON: Phil Twiss, Conservative, 1,879 (elected); Andrew Blackwell, Labour, 543; David Cox, Liberal Democrat, 371; Graham Smith, UKIP, 269 (turnout: 27 per cent).

WHIMBLE & BLACKDOWN: Iain Chubb, Conservative, 2,716 (elected); Jules Hoyles, Liberal Democrat, 973; Steve Greenway, Labour, 426

OTTER VALLEY: Claire Wright, Independent 3,638 (elected); Tim Venner, Conservative, 1,104; George Downs, Labour, 123 (turnout: 46 per cent).

SEATON & COLYTON: Martin Shaw, Independent East Devon Alliance, 1,826 (elected); Helen Parr, Conservative 1,784; Peter Burrows, Liberal Democrat, 524; Jim Knight, Independent, 441; Ian Martin, Labour, 222 (turnout: 40 per cent).

SIDMOUTH: Stuart Hughes, Conservative, 2,390 (elected); Marianne Rixon, Independent East Devon Alliance, 1,909; Lewis Ragbourn, Liberal Democrat, 237; Ray Davison, Labour, 207; Jeannie Alderdice, Green, 165; Richard Wright, UKIP, 145 (turnout: 34.5 per cent).



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■ From left: Winning candidate Ian Hall (Con), deputy returning officer Simon Kitchen, Paul Hayward (Ind EDA) and Bill Foster (Lib Dem) as the result was announced at the count in Sidmouth



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Police investigate councillor's involvement in village plan

POLICE have confirmed that an investigation has been launched into aspects of East Devon District Council's Villages Plan, but vice chairman Helen Parr says the allegation is "a fabrication" and that she might take "action".

A complaint has been made to police that Councillor Parr failed to declare an interest before taking part in a debate about the village plan process during a meeting in February.

The debate was about the former CeramTec factory site in Colyton and councillors re-

quested that text should be added to a consultation document, saying that the built-up area boundary should feature a variety of uses, including "valued employment sites such as the former CeramTec buildings".

Councillor Parr owns land next to the CeramTec site and it is understood that members of East Devon Alliance (EDA) felt she had broken rules regarding councillors' declarations of interest and should not have spoken at the meeting.

EDA councillor Cathy Gardner then revealed, during a later meeting of full council on April 26th, that a police investigation had been launched.

No names were mentioned but Councillor Parr was named by another newspaper last week as the councillor being investigated, with other media outlets picking up the story.

Councillor Parr stood in the Devon County Council election in the Seaton & Colyton division, losing narrowly to EDA member Martin Shaw last Friday.

It was so close that a recount was needed, and it has been claimed in some quarters that the publicity about the police investigation had cost Councillor Parr votes and, ultimately, the seat.

Before last Friday's election she had been unable to comment because of the pre-election purdah, but on Monday morning she told this paper: "It [the allegation] is a fabrication and I'm getting legal advice and may be taking action against certain individuals."

In response to previous media coverage, she said: "It is incorrect to say the factory site was earmarked for housing."

"The site was due to be included in the built-up area boundary, with policy protection for employment land."

A spokesperson for Devon and Cornwall Police said: "Devon and Cornwall Police can confirm that an investigation into matters connected with the Colyton Village Plan is underway, however, it is inappropriate to discuss any further details at this time."

A spokesperson for East Devon District Council said: "Only the three statutory officers at the council, together with one other officer, were aware that there was a police investigation prior to the meeting of council on Wednesday, April 26th and these officers have kept the matter confidential."

"Given that there is an active police investigation, and the sensitivities around purdah for the General Election, it would be wholly inappropriate for the council to comment on the investigation at this time."

"The council also cannot comment on how Councillor Gardner became aware of the police investigation, and the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer were surprised that she raised this matter at a public meeting."

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Man sentenced to 32 months for burglary and drug offences

A YEOVIL man has been sentenced to prison after pleading guilty to a number of offences at Taunton Crown Court.

Lee Purcell, 33, from Yeovil, appeared at court for trial and pleaded guilty to charges relating to

dwelling burglary in January this year.

He entered a house in Yeovil and stole jewellery and watches while the victim was in the property. The judge sentenced him to 32 months in prison for the offence.

In addition, the court also sentenced Mr Purcell for an additional charge of possession of drugs and reviewed previous offences including handling stolen goods, possession of class A and B drugs, and three counts of fraud, for which he was originally given a Community Order.

This was revoked and Mr Purcell was sentenced to another nine months, giving him a 41-month sentence in total.

Detective Sergeant Scott Chadwick said: "I am extremely satisfied with the results of last week's proceedings. I hope it provides a level of reassurance to the communities across Somerset."

"Having your home burgled is so distressing and intrusive. For the victim, the mental and emotional impact can be extremely difficult and long-lasting."

"I hope that during his sentence and upon his release Mr Purcell is able to reflect on his actions, engage with the rehabilitative help available to him and break his cycle of offending."

"There is support out there for those with drug dependency, and we will work with our partners to help those who wish to deal with their addictions and break the behavioural pattern they become trapped in."

"However, we won't tolerate burglary and other invasive and distressing crimes."

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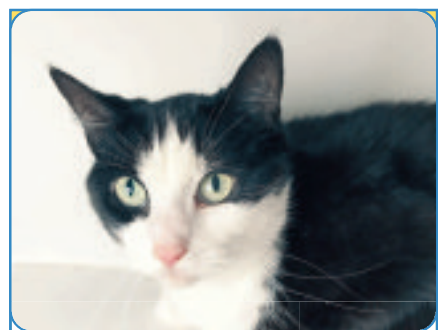
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Claire Wright to run for Parliament

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE WON 24 PER CENT OF THE VOTE IN 2015

CLAIRE Wright has launched her latest bid to become East Devon's first independent MP, telling supporters she is the only candidate who can win the seat from the Conservatives.

Last week Cllr Wright was re-elected

to Devon County Council after thrashing her competition with the largest majority anywhere in the South West.

Speaking at Exmouth Football Club last night (May 8th), Ms Wright said: "Since the snap election

was announced I have been inspired by hundreds of emails and calls urging me to stand and offering help.

"Following my decisive win in the county council elections, I have decided to say 'yes' to my army of

supporters by once again challenging the sitting Conservative MP."

In the 2015 parliamentary election Ms Wright came second, with a 24 per cent share of the vote – more than Labour and the Lib Dems combined.

Ms Wright continued: "People are telling me that they are angry and frustrated with the current government's policies.

"East Devon residents are looking for someone different, someone who will work solely for them, without being tied to a political party.

"As a direct result of this government's policies local NHS provision is under threat, education budgets face massive shortfalls, local businesses will suffer hikes in business rates, local council services have diminished under massive government cuts – and national debt has actually increased.

"As well as this

there are real fears of a damaging hard Brexit if the Conservative government is re-elected with a substantial majority, as is predicted.

"In 2015, although a long-standing and hard-working local councillor, I was a parliamentary newcomer.

"Now I have a track record that shows how local people are prepared to back me.

"I am the only candidate who can win this seat from the Conservative MP. I am calling on everyone in this constituency from the youngest to the oldest voter to join in a campaign based on progressive values and to return me as their MP.

"As an independent MP I would be free from the party whip and I would campaign on the issues that local people tell me are important to them.

"I would be free to speak and free to act. "If every resident who would like to see change in East Devon

votes for me, history can be made in East Devon."

Hugo Swire has held the East Devon Parliamentary seat since 2001 and the conservatives have held the constituency since its inception in 1997.

TV 'Child Genius' dad jailed for sexually assaulting 12-year-old

SEATON man Terence Lai, **pictured**, who appeared on the Channel Four series *Child Genius* alongside his son, has been jailed for three years for groping a 12-year-old girl.

Lai, 54, met his victim through his work as a life coach. The court heard he assaulted her in



his car last July, putting his tongue in her mouth and kissing her breasts.

Appearing under his birth name of Yuen Lai, he denied sexual assault but was found guilty.

Police looking to speak with Honiton man

POLICE are seeking to trace 25-year-old Honiton man Josh Richards, **pictured**.

A police spokesperson said: "Officers believe he may be able to provide some information that could help with their enquiries relating to two separate offences that took place last year.

"Detectives would like to know his whereabouts so they can speak to him in connection with the theft of a car from Ottery St Mary in November and a burglary in Honiton that took place in October.

"Josh is known to have links to Axminster, Torquay and Ottery St Mary."

Police are asking him to either contact a local police station himself as soon as possible or, if anyone knows his whereabouts, to contact police on 101 or email 101@dc.police.uk and quote reference CR/084899/16.



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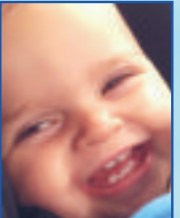
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Volunteers - and fifth director - needed by Axminster Arts Café

AXMINSTER Arts Café is seeking to boost its ranks of volunteers ahead of a busy summer season.

Axminster Arts runs the not-for-profit community café and uses surplus funds to support the arts and community projects.

Director and spokesperson Pat Ayers said: "We have been able to stage back-to-back exhibitions throughout each year, and Music in the Garden events each Saturday throughout every summer, even through the lean financial periods.

"Axminster Arts is totally reliant on volunteers to manage the exhibitions, arts and crafts accounts and the Music in the Garden events.

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"Various tasks need to be carried out by the volunteers, such as; erecting gazebos, preparing the garden furniture for the season, assisting with publicity, rearranging garden furniture for events, meeting and greeting musicians and organising and running a bar at selected events.

"Can you spare any time, regular or occasional, to help this thriving community resource continue to be successful in this and future years?"

"The current team of volunteers needs a boost of numbers to ensure that the various events can run smoothly and successfully."

Axminster Arts became a limited company in May 2016 and the arts café is run by four directors; Tony Fells, Jenny Fells, Pat Ayers and Pat Rous.

"None of the directors receive payment for their work and the business is not owned by any individual.

Anyone able to help is asked to e-mail pat_ayers@hotmail.com with 'Axminster Arts' as the subject.

Pat added: "The directors are also looking for a fifth director to assist with the running of Axminster Arts.

"If you come from a business background and would like to apply to become a director, please submit your CV to jennyfells@btinternet.com."



Scouts finish 'Farm to Fork' at Tesco

■ MEMBERS of 1st Axminster Beaver Scouts completed their Farm to Fork programme at Axminster's Tesco branch.

The Tesco Eat Happy Project has teamed up with The Scout Association to teach young people all about where their food comes from and how to cook it.

Beavers and Cubs take part in various ac-

tivities to help them have a healthier and happier relationship with food, and earn a badge at the end.

Tesco's Axminster community champion Rob Cope organised the visit, and scout leader Linda Green said: "Rob organised a fantastic evening for us and we discovered and tasted lots of new and delicious foods."

Two more candidates announced to stand against MP Neil Parish

CONSERVATIVE MP Neil Parish now knows the identity of two of his main competitors in the upcoming general election.

Caroline Kolek will stand for Labour - an old foe of Mr Parish, who lost out to him in the 2015 election - while Dr Matthew Wilson, **pictured right**, will stand on behalf of the Liberal Democrats.

Caroline Kolek is also a town councillor in Honiton and has been the town mayor for the last two years.

Dr Matthew Wilson told supporters at his campaign launch in Tiverton: "This election is a huge opportunity for voters

in the Tiverton and Honiton Constituency to change the direction of our country and ensure Britain has a decent opposition.

"The falling pound, lower wages and higher prices show how Theresa May's divisive hard Brexit is leaving people worse off.

"I believe in a different plan that involves remaining in the Single Market, trading freely with Europe and using the wealth that this creates to improve our public services."

The Tiverton and Honiton constituency also covers Seaton and Axminster.



£80 fine if you're caught feeding the seagulls in Seaton and Beer

ANYONE feeding seagulls near the sea in Seaton, Beer, Exmouth, Budleigh Salterton and Sidmouth risk an £80 fixed penalty notice.

East Devon District Council (EDDC) has introduced a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) to tackle the nuisance caused by seagulls.

The feeding ban came into effect on Tuesday, May 2nd and means that anyone found guilty of breaching the order by "providing or depositing food for consumption by seagulls on the promenades, beaches or foreshores of the locations listed" can be issued with a fixed penalty notice.

East Devon District Council's Chief Executive Officer Mar Williams said: "During every summer local residents and visitors to the town beaches in East Devon are often affected by the aggressive behaviour of seagulls.

"The council has done a significant amount of work on the cause of this problem over the past four years, including engaging with local businesses and the owners of buildings on which the birds nest.

"On the beaches, members of the public can be affected by gulls stealing food, causing minor injuries and distress, as well as fouling places where people like to sit and eat.

"It is as a direct response to this that we have introduced a prohibition on the deliberate feeding of seagulls with this new public spaces protection order covering our seashores and promenades."

He added: "The PSPO will allow us to take more formal action against persistent or deliberate offenders, whose actions have been seen to impact on other people trying to enjoy the beaches and seafronts.

"We have asked for feedback and ideas from members of the public, as well as local businesses, building owners and town councils on how we could improve the situation to a point where the birds could follow their natural habits and become less of a problem to humans.

"We have listened to what people have had to say and the overwhelming majority wanted us to be able to fine people seen deliberately feeding the gulls and throwing food litter which just encourages aggressive behaviour."

Members of the public will be able to assist by providing the council with information about any incidents involving breaches of the order, similar to the way in which residents are asked to report dog owners who fail to pick up their pets' mess.

An EDDC spokesperson said: "In addition, officers from our environmental health team can provide advice, information and enforcement support as many council officers working around the district are able to issue fixed penalty notices.

"However, all the council's enforcement work is proportionate to the offence being committed and the consequences of it.

"Signs requesting no feeding of seagulls have been in place for many years now, as has a public education programme, but the PSPO will hopefully strengthen the impact of signage and allow the council to pursue offenders who have been clearly identified."

Over the next few weeks the council will be raising awareness of the PSPO through the installation of further signage, as well as distributing informative leaflets to educate the public on why seagulls should not be fed.

Death Cafés bid to banish taboo

ACTION East Devon wants to stop the taboo of talking about death by organising Death Café Conversations across the area, plus sessions to help people put their affairs in order before death.

Some events have already been held and Gill Amos, who is the organiser of the project called Passing Matters, said: "Trying to understand and navigate practical information to help get affairs in order can be more difficult if put off talking about death until a life limiting diagnosis is made, particularly in later life.

"The aim of Death Café Conversations is to overcome the fear of talking about death.

"They are safe and welcoming spaces, life affirming, supportive and always free where individuals, families and carers can come and talk over a cup of tea about end of life – their own or that of a relative or someone they care for.

"There is no agenda and they are discussion groups rather than grief support or counselling sessions."

Passing Matters is also teaming up with Citizens' Advice Bureau East Devon to deliver what are known as Putting Your Affairs in Order information sessions and practical one-to-one support.

These will explain terms such as mental capacity, lasting power of attorney and advance directives and wills.

The third strand of the Passing Matters project is a specialist visiting service for people in the very end

stages of life, in their own home or residential care home.

Volunteers will be trained, supervised and supported to visit, share the journey, bring social contact, give carers a break or just keep vigil.

Ms Amos said: "Death is a natural part of being human and, just like taxes, we can't avoid it.

"This project will really make a difference to how people experience their end of life and how people close to them will view their own deaths."

Forthcoming events can be found at www.deathcafe.com

For more information on Passing Matters or to become a trained specialist volunteer for the project, contact Ms Amos at Action East Devon on 01404 549045 or email gill.amos@actioneastdevon.org.uk



Pharmacy's new premises open

■ MORTON'S Pharmacy officially opened its new premises in the morning of Tuesday, May 2nd.

Rosemary Llewelyn, the wife of the previous owner of the pharmacy (Gwyn Llewelyn), was the guest of honour and cut the ribbon to declare the pharmacy

open. Owner and superintendent pharmacist Ian Morton has moved the pharmacy across the road into premises previously occupied by HSBC.

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Doctor's personal best in canoe marathon

TEAM McKenna/Wakley set a personal best in the Devizes to Westminster (DW) International Canoe Marathon, also raising vital funds for local charity ARC along the way.

Taking part for the ninth consecutive year, Axminster-based GP Dr Barry McKenna and paddling partner Gary Wakley crossed the finish line after 21 hours and 29 minutes, taking eight minutes off their personal best from last year.

They finished 19th overall out of 119 finishers, one place below their 18th spot last year.

Dr McKenna is also the chairman of counselling charity ARC, and has turned the grueling challenge into an annual fundraiser.

Donations are still being taken, so the final sum for this year is yet to be announced.

Dr McKenna said: "We were lucky with the weather, last year the daytime weather was horrible."

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"But the flow of the river was more challenging this year."

The team only experienced a minor hiccup, getting their timing wrong and capsizing.

This meant an inadvertent dip but Dr McKenna said it was "all very graceful" and they were quickly back on track.

He praised the support crew consisting of their wives and children plus ARC founder Catherine Davies and her husband.

Dr McKenna added: "It is the tenth anniversary of ARC, so this [their participation] was in recognition of the work by staff and volunteers over the years."

"We are very grateful for the support, so a big thank you to all our sponsors."

The race has been held annually during

Easter weekend since 1948, and has 77 portages (where vessels are carried around an obstacle in water or overland between waterways) along its 125 miles.

ARC was formed in 2007 by Mrs Davies, who is a psychotherapist. It is an independent body but integrated with the NHS mental health structure and referrals are made through Axminster Medical Practice.

All ARC counsellors and therapists are on the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy register.

Online sponsorship can contributions can be made online until mid-May at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/BarryMcKennaRace9

Donations can also be made in the ARC shop in Chard Street and in the medical practice reception.



■ AXE Valley Academy welcomed 16 German students and two teachers as part of an exchange programme.

The programme is in partnership with Holyrood Academy in Chard.

Pictured above are the hosts and their visitors after

assembly at the school on May 3rd.

Full story to follow when the visit has been concluded.

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Library says fond farewell to Sarah

POPULAR Axminster Library supervisor Dr Sarah Jones has left her post.

A well-attended farewell party was staged at the library on Saturday, April 29th, and there was plenty of praise for her.

Support For Axminster Library chairman Jo Hawkins, who organised the party, said: "Everyone says Sarah is the loveliest librarian they know, so we wanted to give her a good send off.

"So many people have said this afternoon that there is something special and unique about our library; it has a personal, caring touch that Sarah has been central to.

"It was a happy and sad time today.

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"Happy because it felt like Axminster Library always feels busy with adults chatting and children charging around having fun and playing Lego, but we were also so sad to see Sarah go and we are worried about the future of this library."

Caz Jefferies, who uses the library with her children Joel, Eva and Ezra said: "We will all really miss Sarah. Her impact on the Axminster Library community cannot be underestimated; she has put her heart and soul into her job and encouraged so many people young and old alike to discover the power of books.

"We as a family have experienced this for ourselves and I'm worried that with her leaving and Libraries Unlimited pushing for self service machines and volunteers that in the future there will no longer be the professional librarian's care that we've enjoyed."

Axminster mayor Cllr Paul Hayward attended the party and said that Sarah has given the gift of literacy to the children of Axminster.

He explained: "The greatest gift that anyone can bestow upon a child is the love of reading, as this opens up a world of possibilities and allows the children of today to become the leaders and statesmen and women of tomorrow.

"Sarah and her team have fulfilled that obligation and then some.

"I would like to thank Dr Jones for all she has done for our community.

"I hope that she knows that there is always a piece of cake, cup of tea and warm welcome in our town for her whenever she's passing by."

Sarah, a former *News of the World* journalist, told *Pulman's Weekly News* after the party: "I am proud of so much that has been achieved at the library, like getting national recognition for being autism-friendly, the way we have promoted literacy for adults and children, the seed library, endless rewarding moments

over the counter.

"But I am totally exhausted and I felt the only way I could get some rest was to resign.

"I was blown away by the number of people who came to the party.

"And I was overcome by all the flowers, presents, cards and hugs. I feel a very lucky librarian."

Street collection raises nearly £60 for anti-vivisection society charity

THE National Anti-Vivisection Society (NAVS) has thanked the people who supported a street collection in Axminster on April 21st.

A spokesperson said: "As part of World Day for Laboratory Animals, a week of action to raise awareness for the 100 million animals that are killed in laboratories all

around the world each year, a street collection was held.

"Our collectors Maggie Dunn and Julia Johnson raised £57.

"The NAVS would like to thank the people of Axminster for their support, which will help the organisation continue its important work."



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Pub theatre makes its debut at Winstons

'ARE You Sitting Comfortably?' – performed by London-based actor Michael Garland – was described as 'a tour de force' after he started the series of pub theatre shows at Winstons in

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Seaton.

A small team of enthusiasts – consisting of Chrissy

Evans, Andrew Beaumont and Mervyn Hewish – are leading the concept of pub theatre in Seaton.

One of those who attended the opening performance, Seaton resident Val Christ-

mas, said: "I'm so glad we decided to give the new venture of live theatre at Winstons a try.

"If we had not, we would have missed out on a brilliant evening.

"Ten tall tales superbly recounted in an intimate and atmospheric setting.

"A really good theatrical experience. It's what live theatre is all about.

"The venue was small but this only gave even more immediacy to the performance which was, at times, amusing, and at other times a reminder to take care of our souls – especially on Beltane's Eve.

"It was a great evening."

The next two performances will be in June and July,

with companies coming from Exeter and Starcross respectively.

All types of performers are invited to experiment and showcase their talent, and non-performing volunteers

are also encouraged to come forward.

Anyone interested is asked to get in touch with Chrissy at 61 Harbour Road, Seaton, or by emailing chrispleck51@hotmail.co.uk



■ ENTERTAINING: Michael Garland at Winston's

Doctors' Grizzly efforts raise more than £1,000

THE combined Grizzly efforts of three Seaton-based GPs raised more than £1,000 for charity.

Doctors Katie Seaver, John Twaddle and Mark Welland took on the 20-mile race in mid-March.

All three did so to raise money for Seaton & District

Hospital League of Friends, amassing £1,093 in total.

League of Friends manager Lycia Moore said: "The doctors were thrilled with the level of support for their gruelling Grizzly 2017 challenge.

"The generous donations amounted to £1,093 and

will go towards the work of the league of friends at Seaton Hospital and in the community.

"Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends would like to thank everyone who sponsored our local doctors, your support is very much appreciated."



■ CHALLENGING: Doctors John Twaddle, Mark Welland and Katie Seaver at various points of the course



■ EXPECTATIONS: The audience gathers before the show

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Golf club's mission to sign up youngsters

AXE Cliff Golf Club is on a mission to get more youngsters to take up the sport.

Simon and Jill Wellington took over the club in 2014 and have noticed a steady overall membership increase.

Mr Wellington said: "We are just renewing subscriptions and amongst a number of others, we notice six new under 30-year-olds within the last two weeks alone. Despite this recent surge, the members of any golf club tend to be balanced towards the older generation.

"The club is now a Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) which is a club with char-

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itable status. Part of our obligations under this scheme is to provide a 'not for profit' service to golfers.

"A CASC is required to supply access and introductions to their sport and make that as affordable as possible.

"Our club professional Andrew Thompson has kindly offered to set up a summer school for U18s starting as soon as we have suitable numbers."

This will take place on Saturday afternoons, starting at 2pm, and the cost per session will be £3.

Mr Wellington added: "It will take place on the new practice area, which is a short walk from the car park. When a suitable level of competence is attained, Andrew will take them out on the course to play some holes.

"The clubhouse is very welcoming if parents wish to wait for their youngsters and enjoy re-

freshments and the views."

Clubs and balls are available on a free loan for the afternoon.

Mr Wellington concluded: "Should any under 14s then wish to join the club afterwards, we are offering a full membership for a negligible amount."

Email office@axecliffgolfclub.com or call 01297 21754 and leave names, ages and full contact details for further information.



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Cash and jewellery taken in Seaton house burglary

A SUBSTANTIAL amount of cash was taken during a burglary of a Seaton home.

In a statement issued on May 3rd, a police spokesperson said: "Offenders entered the home in Mead Way between 6.30pm and 7.30pm on April 24th by using a sledgehammer from the victim's shed to smash a rear door.

"They managed to escape

with a large amount of cash and assorted costume jewellery."

Police would like to hear from anyone who may have seen or heard any suspicious activity in the area at the time of the offence.

The spokesperson added: "Residents in the area are asked to remain vigilant and are reminded to keep tools

locked away to prevent them from being used to gain entry to properties."

Anyone with information is asked to email 101@dc.police.uk or telephone 101, quoting crime reference CR/30792/17.

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Supporting young people on the path to better mental health

A monthly column by KERRY CABLE from the peer support network for young people with mental health issues, based in Axminster and Chard



THE Project is a peer support network that has been set up to support young people aged from 13 to 24 with mental health issues, and their parents and carers.

Based in Axminster and Chard, this is a free service open to young people and their parents and carers from across East Devon, South Somerset and West Dorset.

Kerry Cable is a qualified psychotherapist and mental health support worker for The Project, and will write a monthly column for this paper.

In addition to providing ongoing support for their young clients, Kerry processes referrals, creates workshops and delivers them in schools across Devon and Somerset.

She is committed to raising awareness and eliminating the stigma surrounding mental health issues.

RECENTLY, I finally had the opportunity to start watching the BBC series 'Mind Over Marathon'.

It follows a group of unlikely runners setting out to defeat the Virgin London Marathon – while battling the demons of their own mental illnesses.

I wish I could find a less cliché term to use, but it was truly inspiring. It was the first time I'd ever seen anyone on TV speaking so authentically about their daily struggles with the symptoms of depression, OCD and other debilitating psychological conditions.

At the Project, I have the honour of getting to know our young people and the challenges they face and it frustrates

me that there are very few realistic portrayals in the media that can provide them with any reassurance that they are most definitely not the only ones feeling the way they do. 'Mind Over Marathon' has given me some hope that this could finally be changing.

As the marathon's charity of the year, the royally endorsed foundation, 'Heads Together' was the driving force behind these new conversations about mental health.

It's so refreshing to see such high profile personalities having these frank discussions, while asking all of us to do the same. They continue to highlight how important it is to talk about how we are feeling, both to qualified mental health professionals and the people in our life we feel able to trust.

People often don't want to try it as they can't believe that the simple act of talking will make any difference to their problems.

Plus, it can be a scary prospect to try and put it all into words, especially when there is a fear of being judged.

When there are already so many other pressures on our time, it can sometimes feel self indulgent to sit down and offload our worries.

However, research shows repeatedly that if you talk to someone straight away, before feelings escalate, it is usually going to prevent symptoms from developing into something more serious.

As a teenager, I chose not to talk when I realised my relationship with food had got to an unhealthy place.

Anxiety around my weight and body

image continued to poison my thoughts, every second of every day, and cast a shadow on every experience until I was well into my twenties.

The secret world in my mind would force me to analyse a room into weight order and always place me near the top of the list.

The day I opened up and started talking honestly about my issues was the first step towards being healthy enough to get rid of my scales (after a few attempts!) and finally start accepting myself. It also revealed to me that there were actually other people close by that weighed themselves 6 times a day like me – I was no longer the 'freak' I thought I was.

Talking through difficult thoughts and feelings not only helps you process them and feel supported, it makes you realise that there are others going through it too.

If we are all trying to go it alone, succumbing to the shame and stigma that burdens our society – how will we ever know who we can relate to and build a supportive community around ourselves and our children?

This is why what those trailblazers are sharing with the world on 'Mind Over Marathon' is so important for opening up a society where one in four people no longer have to battle every day with their mental health.

Visit headstogether.org.uk/ to find out more about what their Royal Highnesses Harry, William and Kate are doing to promote that 'It's OK to talk'.



Charity ploughing match

A CHARDSTOCK Vintage Tractor and Machinery Club ploughing match and working event raised £550 for good causes.

The event took place in fields at Tytherleigh on Sunday, April 23rd, featuring ploughmen from Melplash, Misterton, Musbury, South Chard, Chardstock, Wambrook and Buckland St. Mary.

They were watched by a crowd of more than 100 club members and friends from far and wide.

Club chairman Robert Waldron

said: "The club would like to thank the Turner family for their kind hospitality."

"The money raised will be given to two charities at the end of the year at our presentation dinner."

"The charities are Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance and Cancer Research UK."

Pictured left to right are Robert Waldron, Alan Farley, Colin Dyer, Tony Dawe, Les Turner, Trevor Miles, Steve Chubb and Graham Farmer.

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West Hill parish councillors 'elected'

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Alan Cook, Jo Talbot, Margaret Hall, Jessica Bailey and Christopher Hall stood uncontested in the election.

The parish council is still two councillors short of being full, but members are confident they can fill the spaces.

'Stellar' photos in library competition



THE winner of the first ever FoneSnap Competition run by the Friends of Ottery Library has been announced.

Robert Rowe won the competition narrowly beating Alexandra Fearn-Smith, as the competition produced stellar photographs from the town's youngsters.

Liberty Shaw and Amy Sunderland shared joint third in the competition, as the local youngsters were charged with taking a photo along the theme of "Who needs words?"

Pulman's View from Honiton and Ottery St Mary sponsored the final award and reporter Peter Hodges said: "I was really impressed with the level of competition in FoneSnap 2017. Well done to Robert, whose picture was very imaginative. But also well done to everyone who entered the competition, there are some very talented young photographers in Ottery."



ROBERT Rowe (upper left) won the Pulman's Prize at FoneSnap 2017

ALEXANDRA Fearn-Smith (below) was the runner up



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New book on history of church

A BOOK about the history of St Giles' Church in Kilming-ton will be released this month.

Author Michael Tyler has spent more than a year re-searching the history of St Giles' Church, a site of wor-ship that has existed for more than 1,000 years.

The book is welcomed and sponsored by Kilming-ton Parochial Church Council (KPCC).

KPCC secretary Brian Lavender said: "Previously, we have had to rely on a few old documents and two pamphlets written by Gen-eral Elliott and Brigadier Carter (previous village res-idents), but Michael has delved much deeper into the events over the years and uncovered very many interesting facts.

"KPCC decided to sponsor the book, which is of very good quality with a hard cover and many illustrations and photographs, some in full colour."

A launch party will be held in St Giles' Church, on Fri-day, May 19th from 7:30pm, during which Mr Tyler will talk about his research.

Mr Lavender added: "The book will undoubtedly be of great interest to many in the



■ EXTENSIVE RESEARCH: Author Michael Tyler

local community, some of whose ancestors will have ensured that the parish church has been cared for and has served the commu-nity for all those years.

"While the price of this book has been set at £15, over the weekend of May 19th-21st only, the sale price

will be reduced to £10, al-though it is hoped that most purchasers will be willing to pay the full price.

"Michael will, of course, be willing to sign the books.

"Wine and nibbles will be available and you can be sure of a very interesting evening."

Axminster B&B hosts World Tai Chi Day fundraiser for Macmillan

WORLD Tai Chi Day celebrations at Wey-croft B&B in Axmin-ster included a coffee morning and raised more than £130 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

ABC Tai Chi founder and Weycroft B&B co-owner Allan Howlings held the event in the morning of Saturday, April 29th, ably assisted by his partner Maggi Marciniak.

Mr Howlings said: "We had a good turnout and people came from far and wide to join us.

"We must have had about thirty people at one time.



■ A TAI chi session is about to start



■ THE sessions were held in a lovely outdoor setting

"I'm not sure if it was for the tai chi or Maggi's famous home-made cakes.

"We ran a coffee morning in conjunction with the event, which helped to boost our donations to £133 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

"We also opened up our grounds to the public so that they could wander down the river and do some kingfisher and otter spotting.

"Sadly the otters were not playing ball and were keeping a low profile."

Advertiser's Announcement

Two further new partners for local solicitors



■ Nicola Edwards



■ Emma Webb

MILFORD and Dormor, long estab-lished local Solicitors, are very pleased to announce that they have welcomed two new further part-ners, being Nicola Edwards and Emma Webb.

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Nicola heads the Axminster office where the Firm was founded in 1870

and specialises in Private Client work advising on Wills, Probate, Es-tate Planning and Lasting Powers of Attorney. Her friendly and ap-proachable nature coupled with her expertise and wealth of local knowl-edge is greatly valued by clients.

Emma is based at the Chard office, which first opened in 1979 and is able to assist with most Property related matters both residential and com-mercial. She is pleased to meet clients at the Firm's other offices being Seaton, Ilminster and Hemy-ock as well as Axminster. Emma began her career in London but was delighted to be able to relocate to Devon when qualifying as a solicitor.

Before she joined Milford and Dormor in 2013 Emma had acquired substantial experience in a wide range of property and commercial work; she says she is immensely proud of the professionalism and the care shown by the Firm.

"I am so pleased that Nicola and Emma have joined the Partnership, as they are both committed to pro-viding outstanding client care and to the principle of an accessible high street firm with an under-standing of clients' requirements in its local towns and beyond. Milford and Dormor continue to offer a free initial interview at all their offices and home visits can be arranged for those with mobility or other prob-lems that make it difficult for them

to come and see us" said Bill Bennett, who has come out of the Partnership but remains ac-tively involved as Consultant and Practice Manager based at the Chard office

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Bottom row: L-R Emma Webb (Partner) Domenica Fazio (Partner) Nicola Edwards (Partner)

'Long Way Down' cyclists head to France

A TEAM of 12 cyclists from the Colyton area will take on Le Petit Tour de Manche route for charity later this month.

The 'Long Way Down Goes French' cycle ride will follow the success of a sponsored cycle from John O'Groats to Land's End completed last year by four local tradesmen - Doug Board, Dave Selley, Matt Cracker and Ian 'Pipes' Woodall.

The cycle ride raised an impressive £19,500 for cancer charity FORCE and this year they will be upping the ante by taking on the French route, joined by several other local cyclists, in aid of South West Autism Support Services.

The group will set off on May 27th and hope to complete the Cherbourg to St Malo route - approximately 400 miles - in five days. The ride traditionally starts at the Hardy Monument, near Dorchester, before crossing to France from Poole and following the Normandy coast to St Malo, but some of the team will be completing their own interpretation of the ride, cycling from Colyton and home from Portsmouth.

All funds raised will be used to fund training courses for local families who use South West Autism Support Services, as well as monthly support meetings for parents of children with autism.

Among those to join the cycling group this year are Debbie and Verdun Trott, whose son Charlie was diagnosed with autism having shown symptoms since a baby.

In a blog about her reasons why she was taking part in the challenge and supporting South West Autism Support Services, Debbie wrote: "There are no real answers, just help in trying to break it all down and work out why our amazing children find so much of our world terrifying, confusing, very uncomfortable and just feeling like they don't fit in."

"Please, if any of you would like to contribute... even the smallest donations will help."

Along with Debbie and Verdun and the four from the original 'Long Way Down' cycle, others taking part this year are Robert Carless, Anne-Marie Hansen, Alan and Helen Kenworthy, Michelle Cracker and Adam Marston-Price.

The group held a disco night at Colyton Town Hall on Friday, which raised £2,600 for the cause.

Further donations can be made online at www.gofundme.com/le-petit-tour-de-manche-lwd-2017 and you can follow their group's progress and read Debbie's blog in full on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/longway-down2016



■ **READY TO RIDE:** A group of 12 local cyclists will set off on Le Petit Tour de Manche route in aid of charity later this month

Brownies get out and about in deer park



■ **COLYTON Brownies** recently visited Woodend Deer Park with Ruth Worsley from the Legacy to Landscape project. The girls were lucky enough to spot a herd of deer during their visit, and also learned about the trees and the surrounding nature. The Brownies used their map-reading skills to guide them around the park. The Brownies have also been learning about road safety, water safety and the Country Code over the last Brownie term, and have now all completed their 'Out and About' badge. The group meets at Colyton Guide Hall in Rosemary Lane weekly during term time and welcomes anyone interested in joining as a Brownie or adult leader. Those interested should contact Brown Owl Karen by emailing colytonbrownies@gmail.com

Exhibition for WI's 90th year

COLYTON WI will celebrate its 90th anniversary with an exhibition depicting inspiring women from the last 10 decades.

The exhibition will be held at St Andrew's Church in Colyton from Thursday, May 18th to Saturday 20th, open from 10.30am to 4pm.

The display will include various styles of clothes, toys, games and floral fashions defining the eras, as well as inspiring women that members of the WI have chosen. Visitors will also be able to vote for their own choice of women who have inspired them.

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HONITON Community Complex, which runs The Beehive in the town, has donated £2,000 to TRIP and £1,000 to Hospiscare.

Hospiscare representative Eric Smith and TRIP trustee Val Royle were presented with their cheques by directors David Perkins and Claire Browne at the Nostalgic Cinema event on April 28th.

David Perkins, a director of Honiton Community Complex, said "We're happy to be able to make this donation towards the on-going work of TRIP community transport association.

"TRIP provide a fantastic community service helping the elderly, disabled, socially excluded and rurally isolated attend medical appointments and trips out.

"This includes transporting people on outings to The Beehive so that they can enjoy the entertainment and benefit from the community activities on offer in this accessible venue.

"Over the last few years, with the kind support of Co-op funeral care, TRIP have brought many people to our dementia-friendly Nostalgic Cinema screenings.

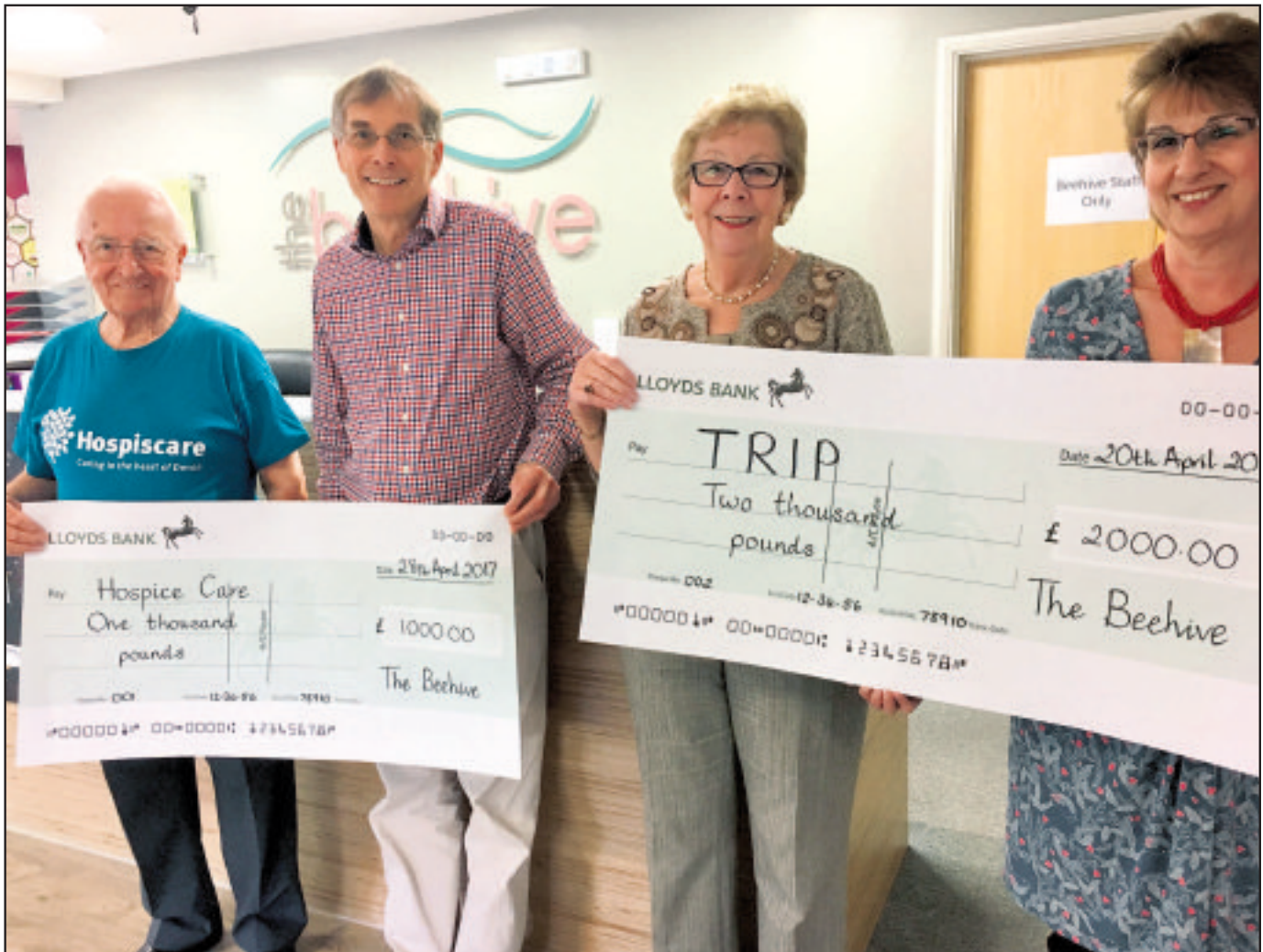
"It's important to us all that The Beehive has a wide-reaching impact within our community.

"TRIP are one of our key local partners who help us in this mission."

In addition, a donation of £1,000 was made to Hospiscare in recognition of the invaluable work they do to improve the conditions of life for residents in Honiton and East Devon.

In total for the year ending March 2017 The Beehive has supported local community groups to the tune of £8,830.

Pictured, from left to right: Hospiscare representative Eric Smith and TRIP trustee Val Royle are presented with their cheques by Honiton Community Complex directors David Perkins and Claire Browne



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An ode to Cloakham Lawns

■ A DESERTED Army hospital - With space to roam and play. That time so very long ago still seems like yesterday. We found a hut like other folk - A dwelling of our own. Squatters living on the 'Camp' - For many years our home.

Across the road a much changed view gazing from First Avenue. Trees and hedges grown so tall, bramble bushes covering all. There still remains the iron fence but little else for reference. Disappeared the stone capped piers. The boundary wall that stood for years. No more now the squat gate lodge of the Parker family and fearsome dog. No chained white gate with metal scrolls that hung by the lodge's portico. Its walls and windows, cobweb draped and a black slate floor with cracks and rakes.

This was the entrance to the 'Lawns', whose park lands still my memory haunts. Its track was fashioned from grey pressed stones betwixt which weed and grass had grown. Its destination the distant woods to Cloakham House and Sisterhood. A route meandering as today. Passing Willhay on its way. Past our favourite tadpole ponds. Safe habitat for newts and frogs who laid their spawn, black dot bedecked, that floated on dark weed choked lakes. While we with jam pots tied with string, enjoyed those fruitful days of Spring.

In summer through the 'Lawns' we run with homemade bows and toy six-guns. The old pillbox we would pretend to be a fort we must defend. Sometimes we'd fire at feckless rabbits, but always missed. Far too erratic. We stalked

slow worms and panting lizards who basked by the track as we walked to the river. Across the fields, our swimming pool, ablaze with sunshine's glistening jewels. With fleeting flashes of blue kingfishers and bobbing heads of white throat dippers. Submersed in cool water we splashed and spluttered in those halcyon days of my boyhood summers.

From autumn's yellowing chestnut trees, conkers fell with every breeze. Which very often we assisted to get the large ones that resisted. In winter when the snows began, on its slopes our sledges ran. Gathering speed I'd hurtle down - Fly over the ridges - High off the ground 'til nearer and nearer the hedgerow loomed and as it did the sledge looked doomed, until at last I'd slow it down, dragging a boot to turn it around away from the hedge where it came to a stop. Then haul it once more, back up to the top.

But now alas the tadpole ponds 'neath Bowls and Cricket fields are gone. Lizards and slow worms chased away and no more sheep or cattle stray. The pillbox demolished. Few trees are left. Of bird and wild life quite bereft. A brand new tarmac road will trace the old stone track it will replace. Our sledging slopes built into plateaus that new built houses overshadow. So very little now remain - It cannot ever be the same. Where once I ran - A new life dawns. For a new generation, at Cloakham Lawns.

DEREK STURCH,
Honiton

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It was right to force government to publish plans on how to tackle air pollution issues

■ THE government have been rightly forced to publish plans to tackle illegal air pollution after shamefully delaying the publication for political reasons.

However we don't need to wait for a report, just step out onto your patio and you'll see how much darker it appears these days.

Having just that day spoken to a Honiton High Street shop proprietor about the continual need to clean the floor on the customer side of his shop after customers walk in from the dirty pavements, I spotted the high pressure cleaning of the pathway outside the Star Inn in New Street which reminded me that I have had to powerwash my garden pathway twice in the

last year.

Some people I have spoken to have stated that they have recently noticed that their handkerchiefs have black residue after use, bringing back memories of the awful London smog days when very many people died.

Diesel engines once encouraged by government but now damned by them could be one of the reasons but we won't know if that is the case until the government publishes their findings, so no small wonder that they didn't want to do that before the election.

MALCOLM LEE,
Honiton

New MPs will have no say on post-Brexit trade deals

■ THE MPs that we elect in a few weeks time will have little or no say over new trade deals that are being sought for post-Brexit Britain.

Parliament has no right to lay down binding guidelines for government to follow in trade negotiations, no right to scrutinise trade deals or even to debate them, and no ability to amend or stop the deals.

Government ministers have been globetrotting recently in their eagerness to sign trade

deals with anyone who will talk to them.

Trade meetings have been held in total secrecy, with MPs having no power to know what is being discussed.

Our rights could be signed away under secretive deals, and parliament and the public could be completely shut out.

US Republican senators have their eyes on our NHS and Theresa May has not excluded healthcare from any deal with the US.

Local MPs may have pledged support for the NHS but that will not count if the NHS is signed away in a secretive trade deal.

Whilst trade can help to create a fairer world, it must first be shaped democratically.

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This is still your newspaper!

MY attempt to start a new newspaper group in East Devon did not exactly get off to a stunning start.

I thought it would be clever to call our first edition "This Is Honiton" which would lend itself to using "This is..." as the title for the various sections, ie "This is Motoring", "This is Entertainment". You get the idea, I'm sure.

We had agreed to print the first edition on the *Express & Echo* press in Exeter and gave notice what we intended to call our publication. I was invited to the press hall on the Sowton estate to see the first edition off the press, which is normal when launching a new title. I think we may have cracked open a bottle of bubbly. Nothing was said about the name of the paper.

In those days in April 2005 local newspapers were enjoying something of a revival after the difficult recession years of the early 1990s. The *Express & Echo* was owned by Northcliffe Newspapers, one of the giants of the regional press, and I did not imagine for one moment we would cause too much alarm in the higher echelons of Northcliffe's management.

Although we encroached on the Echo's Honiton territory I doubt whether it was thought we would provide much competition.

The printers and local management congratulated us on the look of the paper and I drove home satisfied with our first editions and determined to build a stable in East Devon.

By group editor and founder PHILIP EVANS

But within 24 hours I had a very disturbing call from a Northcliffe executive saying that if I did not change the name of our paper they would refuse to print us and serve an injunction on us to stop using the title "This Is". I was flabbergasted. Only a few hours earlier we were being congratulated on the production of the first edition.

It turned out that Northcliffe's websites in the South West were called "This Is" followed by the town or county name and it was thought this would cause some confusion among the readers and possible lost revenue.

I had launched my new publishing venture on a shoestring and had no intention of entering into a lengthy legal battle with one of the UK's most successful and profitable publishing houses.

I had started the venture by launching a monthly in the countryside around Honiton called "View from the Blackdown Hills" so I quickly decided to call our new weekly "View from Honiton".

Not one reader questioned the change the following week or queried why our dump bins in the supermarkets were branded "This Is Your Local Newspaper". I suppose that description still ran true and some of those bins are still

in operation today.

The Honiton edition was quickly followed by one for Colyton, which had never had its own newspaper before, Seaton, Axminster, Sidmouth and Ottery St Mary.

Within a year we crossed the Dorset border with new editions for Lyme Regis, Bridport, Beaminster and Dorchester before looking towards South Somerset and town titles for Crewkerne, Chard and Ilminster. The final piece to our distribution jigsaw was Weymouth.

We started distributing 7,000 copies a week and by the time we got to Weymouth we were having to print 40,000 copies at peak times all available free via dump bins at around 500 different drop-off points in East Devon, West Dorset and South Somerset.

We started with just five employees, now we have more than 30. And as one executive of a rival publisher told me quite recently: "You have been a bloody irritant!"

They were heady days. My wife Jackie and I worked seven days a week for several years without a holiday and sometimes without getting paid and we both suffered serious illnesses. We can't say it was down to the stress of building a publishing empire but I don't suppose it helped.

We were lucky. We recruited a dedicated and committed staff, many of whom shared our ups and downs and are still with us..

It has not been all plain sailing. The reces-

sion of 2008 hit us hard, as it did all local newspapers, and it took us years to recover. But we managed to keep our employees in a job.

Eventually I was forced to sell out to Lyme Regis businessman Jerry Ramsdale who saved us from going out of business and then we became part of the Tindle Newspapers Group, owned and run by a legend of my industry, Sir Ray Tindle, and were amalgamated with my beloved Pulman's Weekly News where I cut my teeth in journalism. We still carry that name on the front page of our Axminster edition.

Two years ago I gained part ownership of the titles after launching new titles into central London for Sir Ray, a huge challenge and one I have enjoyed immensely.

Our business has changed immensely over the years, not only for the minnows like View From but also for our larger competitors who have had to reduce staffing levels and close offices.

We have amalgamated editions to stay ahead of the game as times are still really tough with local papers facing increased competition from the digital media.

But as we head towards our 600th edition let me go back to day one.

Whilst I can't use the name on our front page, **THIS IS STILL YOUR NEWSPAPER** and we hope it will remain that way for many years to come.



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IN the countdown to this year's Local Newspaper Week, the people who bring you the **View From** and **Pulman's Weekly News** series of newspapers are joining fellow publishers across Britain to launch the first ever print and digital campaign against fake news and highlight the very high levels of trust that readers place in local newspapers

FIGHTING FAKE NEWS

A NEW press campaign called *Fighting Fake News* will see local newspapers like ours across the UK carry editorial and graphics highlighting the industry's highly trusted credentials and the importance of local newspapers in reporting on the issues like the forthcoming general election.

Papers will highlight the checks and balances involved in reporting local news and the investment required to produce local journalism as opposed to distributing fake news to profit from opaque programmatic advertising.

The campaign will also highlight the highly-trusted environment which local papers provide for advertisers and commercial partners.

Co-ordinated through Local Media Works, the local marketing arm of the News Media Association, *Fighting Fake News* will run up to and complement Local Newspaper Week, which highlights local newspapers' ability to make a difference for their communities through campaigning.

News Media Association chairman Ashley Highfield said: "The critical role of local newspapers in providing local communities with highly trusted news and advertisement platforms is even more important than ever in the run up to the general election."

"Through their reporting, local newspapers uphold, promote and support democracy, fighting against the fake news which undermines and subverts it. We must champion the vital democratic function of local newspapers now, more than ever."

Fighting Fake News will run up to and through Local Newspaper Week

(May 15 to 21) which, through Making a Difference, will see the local newspaper industry come together to celebrate the campaigning achievements of local newspapers.

Prime Minister Theresa May has given her backing to the *Fighting Fake News* campaign by warning of the dangers of fake news distributed on social media.

Mrs May also said she gave her strong support to a free press which underpins democracy by investing in highly trusted journalism.

She said: "We need to be very wary of this concept of fake news. We have got a situation with social media and different outlets where anybody can put something on a social media site as if it's real without anybody checking."

"People need to recognise that and recognise you can't trust everything you see on social media."

"We know newspapers have a responsibility that they take seriously in terms of what they are reporting."

"A free press is very important, it underpins our democracy. It's also important for [politicians] to make sure the statements we make are upfront and transparent for people."

Mrs May was speaking as the local press industry runs the *Fighting Fake News* campaign to highlight the importance of trusted local media journalism in the run up to the general election.

Our Fight-

ing *Fake News* campaign is aimed at reminding readers about the importance of our brands in bringing you trusted news. In a world where misinformation and unsubstantiated facts can be published to huge audiences via social media platforms, with no regulation, papers like the *View From* and *Pulman's Weekly News* series have a long and proud history of bringing you well researched and accurate journalism. Throughout the campaign, we will be asking readers and advertisers to support us in delivering this message and to get involved in learning about how we carry out our trade.



■ PRIME MINISTER Theresa May has endorsed the work of local newspapers like the *View From* and *Pulman's Weekly News* series of titles



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Without any advertising, many local newspapers like the *View From* and *Pulman's Weekly News* series would not survive. That could mean that far from being able to pick up your favourite newspaper for free, you would be asked to pay potentially several pounds per edition, depending on the number of pages and the size of the editorial operation.

Advertising has always underpinned great local journalism –



but in recent years part of that revenue stream has moved away, often to entirely unregulated social sites where there are no embedded checks against fake news nor professionally-trained journalists.

The *View From* and *Pulman's Weekly News* titles that serve our part of the world are subject to some of the most robust regulation in the world. They are bound by the Editors' Code of Practice, which sets out clear standards on everything from accuracy to respecting privacy and protecting children.

Their regulator is the Independent Press Standards Organisation, which has wide-ranging powers, from insisting on correc-

tions to launching standards inquiries and ultimately imposing fines.

Lord Justice Leveson, in his inquiry into the Press, praised local and regional titles. His report described them as a much valued and important part of the British press.

He said: "It is clear to me that local, high-quality and trusted newspapers are good for our communities, our identity and our democracy and play an important social role."

According to the Making A Difference campaign run by Local Media Works, the local marketing arm of the News Media Association (NMA), local titles like this one collectively reach 40 million people across the UK. There are 1,000 local newspapers and 1,700 associated websites.

Together they are the first port of call for 5.4 million people looking for a bargain.

Most tellingly, according to research data provided by the campaign organisers, local media is the most trusted source of information and readers are more than twice as likely to act on ads in local media than ads on TV and social media.

The News Media Association's deputy chief executive Lynne Anderson said: "News media pub-

lishers are the best defence against fake news because they invest in high quality journalism which readers can rely on. This in turn creates a highly trusted and engaging environment which drives real action for commercial partners.

"It is vital that we do everything we can to support original journalism and enable newspapers to continue their proud tradition of robustly holding power to account through the campaigning and investigative reporting which underpins democracy in this country."

Throughout the 19th century, there were ongoing battles against taxes on newspapers because they were seen as 'taxes on knowledge' until Chancellor of the Exchequer William Gladstone abolished all such duties.

There are some who believe that as a result the press played a critical role in the spread of trusted information which was fundamental to the social reform that we all take for granted.

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About National Smile Month

IN a nutshell, National Smile Month is the UK's largest and longest-running campaign to promote good oral health.

Together, with thousands of individuals and organisations, National Smile Month highlights three key messages, all of which go a long way in helping us develop and maintain a healthy mouth. They are:

- Brush your teeth last thing at night and on at least one other occasion with a fluoride toothpaste.
- Cut down on how often you have sugary foods and drinks.
- Visit your dentist regularly, as often as they recommend.

The aim of National Smile Month is to ultimately improve the UK's oral health. Organised by oral health charity, the Oral Health Foundation, the campaign hopes to raise awareness of important health issues, and make a positive difference to the oral health of millions.

With the help and enthusiasm of those who are passionate about health and well-being, National Smile Month 2017 hopes to see thousands of events and activities up and down the UK educate and engage local communities about the importance of a healthy mouth.

In 2017, the campaign will take place between **15 May and 15 June**, and will encourage all dental and health professionals, schools, pharmacies, community groups, colleges and workplaces – in fact anyone with an interest in good oral healthcare, to join in and help us educate, motivate and communicate positive oral health messages and improves the quality of smiles all around the UK.

But National Smile Month isn't just about education and stressing the importance of a healthy mouth – the key to the success of the campaign is that we have lots fun doing it!

So what next?....

Get Smiling: Head over to our Events Hub (on our website) and discover how you, your practice, hospital, school or workplace can take part in our wonderful campaign. We have loads of great ideas to help you promote oral health, along with all the resources for you to make it as successful as possible!



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Tips for a Healthy Mouth

GOOD oral health can have so many wonderful life-changing benefits. From greater self-confidence to better luck in careers and relationships, a healthy smile can truly transform your visual appearance, the positivity of your mind-set, as well as improving the health of not only your mouth but your body too.

As part of National Smile Month, we have put together some top tips covering all areas of your oral health, to help keep you smiling throughout the campaign.

Caring for your mouth

- Brush your teeth last thing at night and at least one other time during the day with a fluoride toothpaste.
- Clean in between your teeth at least once a day using interdental brushes or floss.
- To check if you have bad breath lick your wrist, let it dry and give it a sniff, if it smells your breath probably does too.
- If you use mouthwash don't use it directly after brushing as you rinse away the fluoride from your toothpaste.
- Quit smoking to help reduce the chances of tooth staining, gum disease, tooth loss,

and in more severe cases mouth cancer.

- Make sure your toothpaste contains fluoride; it helps strengthen tooth enamel making it more resistant to decay.
- Change your toothbrush every two to three months or sooner if it becomes worn as it will not clean the teeth properly.

Visiting your dentist

- Visit your dentist regularly, as often as they recommend.
- Some dentists may offer home visits for people who are housebound or have difficulty visiting the surgery.
- If you are nervous about visiting the dentist, make sure they are aware of why so they can improve your treatment.
- Help to overcome dental anxiety by taking a friend with you for support or listen to music to help you relax and focus on something else.
- Your dentist will carry out a visual mouth cancer check during your regular check-up.
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FINANCIAL HELP FROM GRANDPARENTS

A grandparent wants to be as involved in the lives of their grandchildren as possible. From child-minding, to passing on skills, lots of time can be invested in helping the younger generation...

by Dave Downie, financial expert at Standard Life
www.myageingparent.com

HOWEVER, a helping hand that isn't so obvious is giving financial help to grandchildren. There are various ways you can do this, it just depends on whether the money is for the long term or the short term.

One of most important things to think about if intending to provide financial support is keeping an eye on inheritance tax (IHT) and making the most of the tax exemptions available. This makes gifting a win-win for grandparents and grandchild.

So what can grandparents do for grandchildren?

Adhoc gifting: For birthdays, Christmas and other gifts, everyone has an annual exemption of £3,000 from IHT. And if it is not used, it carries forward for one tax year only, enabling you to gift away up to £6,000 IHT-free.

Funding university/schooling costs: To encourage families to create an investment pot for children for costs like university, the Junior ISA (JISA) was launched in 2011. If the child was born before September 2002 or after 3rd January 2011, family and friends can make contributions to a JISA – what's great is that this includes grandparents too. Children born in between those dates have a Child Trust Fund (CTF), which works in a similar way.

Just like normal ISAs, there's a choice of stocks and shares, or cash. The annual amount which can be saved is £3,720 (tax year 2013/14) and the JISA or CTF offers tax efficient growth potential. The IHT annual exemption can be applied to these contributions.

Access is available to JISAs and CTFs at age 18, exactly the time when university or college costs might be on the horizon. But there is one major downside with CTFs or JISAs. Do you trust an 18 year old to make wise spending decisions? If there are concerns about "too much too soon" with access at age 18, alternative investments which can be held in trust may need to be considered.

Getting advice from an expert is important, since there's more paperwork to consider here and also some other IHT implications. But it does mean you can control how the funds are accessed, and delay access beyond age 18 with flexibility to pay out at any age.

A nest egg for the future: If grandparents prefer to give a financial helping hand to grandchildren in the later stages of their life, there are easy ways to do this too.

One way to invest for a grandchild's later life is to contribute to a private pension for them. The earliest they have access is age 55. Family or friends can pay in up to £2,880 every year. And the government tops this up with tax relief, so that £2,880 becomes £3,600.

So what are the benefits of setting up a pension for a grandchild? Let's assume that the maximum contributions have been paid into the child's tax efficient pension for 18 years. Growth is of course not guaranteed, but let's assume a 3% annual growth rate – this could produce a fund of £260,000 at age 55. A fund this size could buy an annual income of £6,500 for life, increasing at 3% each year to combat inflation, based on current annuity rates.

And it is not just grandchildren who benefit. Helping grandchildren will be a welcome boost for their parents too, as it removes some of the pressure of how are they going to be able to afford to help their children with things like Uni fees or to get onto the property ladder, especially at time when their income may be stretched with mortgage payments and other bills.

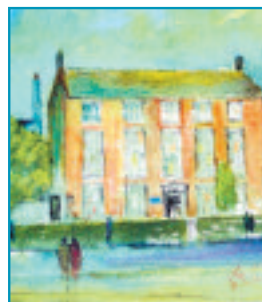
There are lots of ways to give grandchildren a headstart in life, whether it's by giving them money to spend now, a fund at age 18 or older, or a pension pot for later life. It's entirely up to grandparents how they help grandchildren, but I know I would have loved someone to give me a financial helping hand with some of those bigger things in life.

You can find out more about saving, investing and gifting at www.yourfuture-money.co.uk

As with any investment the value of a fund can go up or down and may be worth less than what was paid in. Returns are dependent on investment performance and are therefore not guaranteed. The value of tax relief can change and is dependent on an individual's financial circumstances. Tax rules and legislation can change. Information is based on our understanding of law and current HM Revenue & Customs practice as at June 2013.

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VIEW 2

Across the Borders: art without boundaries

THIRTEEN members of the East Dorset Potters group are venturing across the county line this month to show their latest works at Ilminster Arts Centre. Appropriately entitled 'Across the Borders' the exhibition also features four Somerset painters and printmakers, whose works will provide a 2 dimensional counterpoint to the ceramic pieces on display. The exhibition runs from Monday, May 15th until Saturday, June 3rd. In this exhibition 'crossing a border' can be interpreted in many ways. In its simplest form it brings together artists from different counties but it also aims to unify the dimensional frontiers with a collection of art that celebrates the differences, and the similarities, of 2D and 3D art.

With so many different potters taking part in the exhibition there will be a wide range of ceramics to admire, from pretty but practical tableware to striking sculptural and conceptual pieces that challenge the usual concepts of what 'pottery' is or should be.

The diversity reflects the ethos of the EDP group, which was founded over 20 years ago for potters in the Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch area. Members meet monthly and exhibit regularly together. The potters participating in this show are Frauke Fege, Deborah Clarke, Derek Higbee, Fiona Kelly, Grazyna Schweidler, Holly Sandman, Jan Thompson Taylor, Mike Besser, Reggie Coelho, Rosemarie James, Steph Edward,

Suzette Knight, Angela Wiseman.

The two-dimensional artists are impressionist painter John Gammans, and Annie Musgrove, a painter whose work explores geology, weather and landscapes. Caroline Mornement is a printmaker and collagist whose work is inspired by her travels; Sara Loveridge takes her inspiration from nature's patterns and uses drawing, collage and found materials to map journeys, landscape and personal experience.

This eclectic exhibition proves the adage that art has no boundaries – admission is free and passports are not required!

The exhibition is open Monday to Friday 9.30am-4.30pm, and Saturday 9.30am-2.30pm.

Sunjay coming up in South Petherton

SUNJAY is pretty much the antithesis of your typical denim clad dishevelled folk and blues musician. From his perfectly groomed hair to his spotlessly shining winkle picker boots he walks onto the stage every inch the "city slicker".

When Sunjay starts to play the guitar and sing, you are transported to a world where blues and country music meld seamlessly amidst humid mangrove swamps and red neck barbecues. Sunjay is, without doubt, the real deal.

Sunjay's earliest memories are, as a four-year old, learning Buddy Holly songs from his dad. How ironic it is that he was recently invited to play Buddy in the touring stage show of "Buddy Holly and The Cricketers".

The show's producers were very impressed with Sunjay's singing and playing as well as his familiarity with Buddy's repertoire... "and the fact that he's skinny and wears glasses was a bonus!".

From those early childhood steps Sunjay has in every sense, grown up in public, having performed regularly to ever increasing audiences from the age of seven. Now, still only in his mid-twenties, Sunjay has become a master guitarist, who has crafted his show to perfection. He also has an encyclopaedic knowledge of his music, and a wicked sense of humour.

An evening with Sunjay is an evening of exquisite blues, country and folk music combined with a master class in guitar playing interspersed with hilarious anecdotes... and even the occasional Buddy Holly song.

Sunjay plays at The David Hall, South Petherton on Friday, June 2nd at 8pm. Tickets are £14 available online at www.thedavidhall.org.uk or by calling 01460 240340.



■ Sunjay

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Tram, Entertainment and Food tickets are £27.50 per adult, £17 per child 3-15, and children under 3 are £5. Entertainment and Food tickets are £20 per adult, £12 per child 3-15, and children under 3 are £5. Please book in advance to avoid disappointment.

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Diary Dates

TUESDAY MAY 9TH

SIDMOUTH: East Devon Organ Club at Primley Road Church Hall (EX10 9LH). Janet Dowsett will perform at 7.30pm.

CHARD: Chard WI meeting at Chard Baptist Church Rooms, Holyrood Street TA20 2AH. AGM including a fish and chip supper, starts 7.30. New members welcome. Call Johanna on 01460 68133 for more information. Meetings first Tuesday of every month.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society coach trip to Dunster Castle near Minehead. This National Trust property has lots to do and see - the castle itself, gardens and a working watermill, tearoom and it is possible to walk to the medieval village of Dunster. NT members £10, non-NT £20 - guests £3 extra. Ring Gill Williams on 01297 44927 to book your place.

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

COLYFORD: Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

HONITON: Hospiscare Bargain Sale, 9am-12noon. Mackarness Hall. Homemade refreshments served.

WEDNESDAY MAY 10TH

AXMINSTER: Crystal Grids and sensing crystal energies £10. Axminster. Enjoy one and half hours of practical knowledge in crystals with Margaret Marciniak. 7-8.30pm. Ring for more details 01297 32095 or 07951402717.

LYME REGIS: U3A Heritage Coast. 'Harrods in Edwardian Times'. Talk by Yvonne Bell. Early catalogues and much more provide a fascinating insight into the shopping habits of the comfortably-off around 100 years ago, and much wry humour when viewed from a modern perspective. Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis DT7 3PG. Coffee/tea from 10am, talk at 11am. Free for members, suggested donation for talk £2 to non-members. More information about the U3A at website lymeregisu3a.org or phone 01297-444566.

CREWKERNE: Bingo - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

CREWKERNE: Men's Shed Taster Session at Henhayes Centre. 10 - 12noon. Come along to see what is involved. Free tea or coffee.

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THURSDAY MAY 11TH

CHARD: Chard Royal Naval Association will be holding their bi monthly official meeting at the Chard Rugby Football club at 7.30pm.

AXMINSTER: Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Martha Evans (viola) and Karen Hendrickson (piano). At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

OFFWELL: Honiton Flower Club is hosting a flower arranging demonstration entitled 'Seasonal Splendour' by John Chennell a National Demonstrator, at Offwell Village Hall. Doors open at 1.30 for 2.15 start. Refreshments available. Everyone welcome for a £10 admission fee.

COLYTON: Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.00am to 11.00am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non-members.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try

CREWKERNE: English Folk Dance. 8pm-10pm. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey

Absolute T-Rextasy!

T.REXTASY, has been performing all over the world for 25 years, a career that ironically out-lives Marc's very own T.Rex. In 2017, the band returns to venues across the UK to transport audiences back to the 70s for the Marc Bolan 40th commemorative anniversary tour.

Marc Bolan, with his band T.Rex, was one of the most flamboyant and charismatic stars of the original glam rock era. With Bolan's special ingredient of Rock-a-Boogie songs throughout the 1970s including 'Telegram Sam' and 'Jeepster' he was able to obtain what would be yet another Top 20 record in 1976 that has since become one of the most memorable and everlasting signature tunes, 'I Love to Boogie'.

Accepted as the world's only official live tribute band dedicated to Marc Bolan & T.Rex, and the only band endorsed and approved by Marc Bolan's family, estate, original ex-members of T.Rex, and Bolan's catalogue management, T.Rextasy have been described by many as 'beyond the boundaries of tribute'. The skilled musicianship of Danielz (vocals and lead guitar), Neil Cross

(rhythm guitars, backing vocals), Rob Butterfield (bass guitar, backing vocals) and John Skelton (drums) lets the timeless music and legacy of Marc Bolan and T.Rex live on, performing everything from 20th Century Boy to Children of the Revolution and Telegraph Sam to Hot Love with superb authenticity.

Sweeney Entertainments, co-founded by Julie and Peter Sweeney, has been providing a wide repertoire of top quality touring shows for theatre and corporate events for over fifteen years both in the UK and internationally. Julie said: "T.Rextasy is a rock 'n' roll show with a generous mix of the popular hits, a 15 minute acoustic slot, play b-sides and album tracks - this is two

hours of amazing completely live glam rock!"

This full-on concert show-cases all of the hits and more, with both electric and acoustic performances, faithfully recreating the energy and performance of Marc Bolan and T.Rex. Bringing audiences to their feet across the globe, the whole family will enjoy the experience of being transported back to the 70s to re-live the experience of attending a Marc Bolan concert live.

T.Rextasy bring The Marc Bolan 40th Commemorative Anniversary Tour to Yeovil's Octagon Theatre on Saturday, June 3rd at 7.30pm. Tickets are £20.50 or £19 (concessions), available from the box office on 01935 422884 or online at www.octagon-theatre.co.uk



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Diary Dates

Street, Crewkerne. An evening of dance with guest caller Peter Bolton and Chris Toyne, accordion. £5 Light refreshments included. Contact 01460 75760

FRIDAY MAY 12TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - 'Food on Friday', mid-day for 12.30pm start. Good two course meal + roll & butter and unlimited tea/coffee. Special diets can be catered for if requested in advance. Open to all ages; very friendly atmosphere; newcomers really welcomed, but please book places in advance by phoning June (01460 77057) or Jackie (01460 72324), who will also provide more information if required.

CHARD: Cinechard are showing the film Lego Batman at 7pm in the Guildhall, Chard. Doors open at 6.30pm with a visit from Batman himself! There will also be a childrens' Fancy Dress Competition so children are encouraged to come along in their favourite Superhero's costume. Tickets £5 adults and £2.50 children available from Chard Post Office, Eleos or Barron's, or £6 and £3 on the door. Refreshments and bar available.

HONITON: Quiz Night. Is your team good enough to be crowned ReadEasy Honiton Quiz Champions 2017? If you want the trophy, join us at the Mackarness Hall at 7.30pm; teams of 6 please. Entry by ticket only at £7 per head by calling 01404 41362, refreshments provided.

SEATON: The Distinctiveness of Devon - an illustrated talk to be presented by Dr Todd Gray MBE (Devon Historian and President of the Devonshire Association) at 7.30pm in Seaton Town Hall (The Gateway) marking completion, in Seaton, of the first stage of his walk across Devon from Lyme Regis to Hartland promoting the History of Devon and the end of his Presidential Year. All welcome, donation at door (DA Members £1 non-members £2). Organised by the Devonshire Association (Axe Valley Branch), contact the Chairman, Dr David Westlake (01297 678529) for more information.

SATURDAY MAY 13TH

SEAVINGTON: Seavington Gardening Club Plant Sale at the Millennium Hall, 10am-12noon. Flower and vegetable plants for sale - come early to avoid disappointment. For further information please contact Karen Day - tel. 01460 249728

BEER: Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Show - A double bill of Damon Willetts and Dorian Collins at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer. The show starts at 2pm, admission £7 on the door, children free, everyone welcome. For further info visit www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk or phone 01297 24892.

HINTON ST GEORGE: 'Flix in the Stix' presents 'A United Kingdom' (12A), in the Hinton Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Spring Plant Sale, from 9.30-11.30 am in Uplyme Village Hall, entry £1. Donations of plants will be welcome, and there should be a wide range of flower and vegetable plants to buy, as well as tea, coffee and cakes. Be there early as the best plants disappear quickly!

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - Jumble Sale, with tombola, plant stall & refreshments, at 2pm. Contributions most welcome & can be left at the hall from 10am - mid-day. For more details call 01460 72324

LYME REGIS: Local crafts and collectables at the Baptist Church Hall, Silver Street. Free admission. From 10.30am. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome. Supporting FORCE cancer charity. For more details call 01297 445232.

DALWOOD: Dalwood Plant Sale at the Recreation Field, 2-4pm. Good variety of interesting perennials, bedding plants including Fuchsias plus vegetables. Information and advice on gardening matters. Sale of gardening books. Delicious Refreshments. Raffle. For more details call 01404 881760

COLYTON: Coffee morning in aid of Christian Aid, with plants, veg, cakes, music and fun. 9.45am-11.30am. At Colyton Town Hall. For more details call 01297 552514.

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SATURDAY MAY 13TH

WAYFORD: Wayford Woods Guided Walk led by Andrew Hutchings followed by cream tea in St Michael and All Angels Church, Wayford. Meet in the Woods car park, 2.00pm. £5, for information call 01460 279696.

STOCKLAND: Stockland and District Gardening Club's Spring Platan Sale. Cake stall, bric-a-brac and raffle. Doors 2pm at the Victory Hall. For more details call 01404 881331.

HONITON: Hospiscare Plant Sale, 8am-12noon Mackarness Hall, Honiton. Refreshments served in the hall.

SUNDAY MAY 14TH

BROADCLYST: 'Strictly on Sundays' at Broadclyst Victoria Hall, 2.30pm-5pm. Free parking. Pay on the door £5 (includes tea/coffee and cakes).

OFFWELL: Cream Tea at Offwell Sports & Social Club. 3pm. Lovely homemade scones and cakes. Proceeds to the new Childrens Play Ground.

MISTERTON: Pet Blessing Service at Misterton Recreation Ground/Village Hall (TA18 8NA) at 2.30pm. - Jonathan Morris, Associate Vicar of Misterton, will be presiding at the event. All welcome, especially your well behaved pets! Poo bags and dog/cat treats provided! And afterwards light refreshments in the hall or outside (weather permitting). Donations would be appreciated on the day with net proceeds going to St Leonard's Church. Enquiries 01460 74808.

HONITON: Christian Aid Week service at the Methodist Church, Chapel Street, 6.30pm. Refreshments served afterwards, all welcome!

SEATON: Concert at cream tea at St Gregory's Church, Colyford Road, 3-4.30pm. Beautiful Music and Readings and a Delicious Cream Tea. Raising funds to support today's Refugees. Entrance free (retiring collection)

MONDAY MAY 15TH

AXMINSTER: Axminster Carnival Bingo at Axminster Guildhall. Doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Awareness May Meeting. Guest Speaker: Terrie Birch on 'Life Cycles In Astrology'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm - 9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Please bring a plate of food to share) We will be celebrating our group's 5th Anniversary. Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia 01460 351019

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 - 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members/ £3 for non-members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

SMEATHARPE: Monthly Whist Drive at 7.30pm. Good prizes and raffle, in aid of hall roof funds. For more details call 01823 601296.

MISTERTON: Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

SEATON: Friends in the Community 2.15pm to 4.30pm at The Gateway, Seaton Town hall. A talk by David Craner, Seaton Town Crier, followed by refreshments and a friendly game. Friends in the Community is a group for people who may find they have reached a time in their lives where they are on their own, or maybe new to the area, an opportunity to mix with others in a similar position in a friendly relaxed atmosphere, make new friends and socialise. For more details contact Lycia Moore at Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends on 01297 20143

HAWKCHURCH: Hawkchurch History Society talk by Bill Horner, County Archivist on the Taunton Stop Line in the Axe Valley. At Hawkchurch Village Hall, 7pm for 7.30pm. Non-members £5 (inc refreshments).

MUSBURY: Musbury Garden Club's next talk of this season will cover all types of ponds, given by local garden designer Jenny Short. The illustrated talk, which will include bog gardens, self-contained water features and natural wildlife ponds, will take place at Musbury Village Hall, 7.30pm. Refreshments are served from 7pm. All welcome. Non-members £2.50.

TUESDAY MAY 16TH

AXMINSTER: Cooking for One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the United Reformed Church, Chard Road, . No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information or email hannah@halff.njg 11am-12.30pm.

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CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Hen-

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Friday 12th May at 7.30pm

Quiz Night

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Friday 19th May at 8.00pm

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CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

WAYFORD: Wild Flower Walk down Wayford hedgerows led by Val Watson, followed by cream tea in St Michael and All angels Church, Wayford. Meet at the Church, 2.00pm. £5, for information call 01460 279696.

COLYFORD: Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

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WEDNESDAY MAY 17TH

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com

AXMINSTER: Learn To Cook Healthily with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families) 11am-1pm. Join us for a free hands-on course of six sessions, including help with meal planning, understanding food labelling, cooking hints and tips to help make your life easier as a carer. You'll even receive a free meal to take home! At the Masonic Hall, South Street, Axminster. To book a place, or for more information, call Ros on 01297 631782 or email admin@halff.org.uk.

CREWKERNE: Live music from Steve Knightley's 'Landlocked Tour' at St Bartholomew's Church. Doors 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £18 available from Crewkerne Town Hall.

COLYTON: Colyton Link Annual General Meeting at 7.30pm in Colyton Town Hall. With entertainment, coffee/ tea and free raffle. Do please come and support your Link.

SEATON: Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway, Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details

HONITON: Hospiscare AGM, 7pm. Kings House, Honiton. All welcome.

CREWKERNE: Bingo - Cash prizes - "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

CREWKERNE: Men's Shed Taster Session at Henhayes Centre. 10 - 12noon. Come along to see what is involved. Free tea or coffee.

COLYFORD: Biodanza, 7.15-9pm. 16+, men and women. £10 drop-ins, £7.50 block bookings. At Colyford Memorial Hall. For more details call 07787 752201 or visit www.joysofdance.co.uk

HONITON: Honiton U3A will be welcoming Elizabeth Sweeney-Smith from the European Parliament Information Office UK to their meeting at The Beehive and whose talk is entitled 'The European Union: How Decisions are made'. At The Beehive Centre, Dowell St., Honiton. Doors open 1.30pm for a 2pm start Members Free and Visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2.00). Further information: 01404 598008

THURSDAY MAY 18TH

CHARD: Chard Camera Club will be meeting in the Baptist Church Hall at 7.30pm for an in house print competition where the subjects will be Landscape, Nature and an Open subject. The club gives an open invite to anyone interested in photography and would welcome anyone to attend on any of their nights.

AXMINSTER: Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Fumi Otsuki (violin) and Alessandro Viale (piano). At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

Send your free diary dates to
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Remi's fantastic fretwork

JAMIE CULLUM is blown away by his talent; Cerys Matthews thinks he's 'absolutely brilliant'; and John Etheridge has called him 'a tremendously gifted young player'. Jazz guitarist Remi Harris is clearly a star as he is on the rise and he is bringing his unique fusion of gypsy, swing, jazz, blues, rock, hip hop and world music to Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, May 19th.

For this evening of Django Rheinhardt influenced guitar, Remi and his talented trio have teamed up with John Hallam one of the UK's most experienced and versatile clarinet/sax players, to evoke the mellow magic of the 'Hot Club de France' era.

Remi's skillful playing has taken him to some prestigious venues, Buckingham Palace and the Royal Albert Hall not least among them. The stunning acoustic and intimate surroundings of Ilminster Arts Centre however will be the perfect place for a Somerset audience to see for themselves Remi's incredible fretboard work close up - the best way to appreciate just how good he really is, according to the Jazz Man music site.

John Hallam is an acclaimed musician whose musical journey has taken him from military bands to jazz bands. During the seventies and

eighties he played with the Smoky City Jazz Band and as a freelance professional musician has played alongside many leading lights of the jazz world, including Humphrey Lyttelton, George Melly, Stephane Grappelli and Alan Barnes.

Remi Harris unique style blends elements from many different genres. Remi started playing guitar at the age of seven, initially inspired by rock and blues guitarists such as Jimi Hendrix, Peter Green and Jimmy Page and later by

jazz artists such as Django Reinhardt and Wes Montgomery. He has toured worldwide and has been hailed as "one of the most exciting young guitarists in the Gypsy Jazz world".

John Hallam with the Remi Harris Trio play at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Friday, May 19th at 8pm. Tickets are £16, and a pre-show supper is available for £14 at 7pm but must be pre-booked. For more details and to book call 01460 54973 or visit the website at www.themeetinghouse.org.uk



■ The Remi Harris trio



■ John Hallam

BBC Radio 4's Gardeners' Question Time with Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society

BBC RADIO 4's Gardeners' Question Time records a programme at Uplyme Village Hall on Wednesday, May 31st.

The celebrated panel of gardening experts, including Bob Flowerdew, Anne Swinbank and Bunny Guinness, will be tackling the questions put to them by local gardening enthusiasts.

Gardeners' Question Time is a Radio 4 institution, attracting over 2 million listeners a week. Recorded in a different location each week, this long-standing radio programme has answered well over 30,000 questions since its inception in 1947.

The panel members have been guests of a diverse range of gardening clubs and other organisations; including recording at the top of Snowdon, broadcasting from Buckingham Palace and answering questions from inside Number 10 Downing Street.

The panel NEVER see the questions before the recording. Their encyclopaedic, seemingly effortless answers are completely spontaneous and reveal their huge experience and depth of gardening knowledge. Being on the GQT panel is not for the faint hearted!

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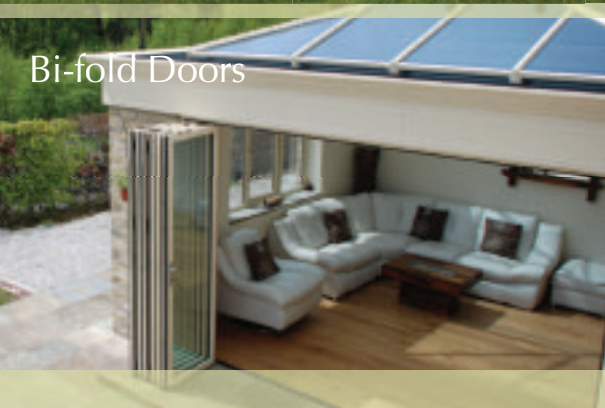
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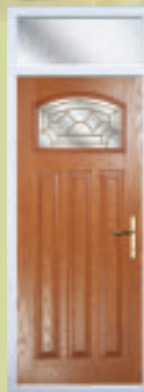
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JEREMY SMITH, Partner in Symonds & Sampson's Beaminster office is delighted to be taking to auction on Friday 26th May at the Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne, Rose Cottage in South Perrott. Jeremy commented 'this property has received huge levels of interest, we have had nearly fifty viewings already. The current vendors had begun a modernisation programme on the property, but because of a sudden job move to Australia this now presents a fantastic opportunity to purchase an unfinished project'.

This property is extremely spacious offering a 23' kitchen/dining room, a living room in excess of 30', a useful snug with utility room off. On the first floor are four bedrooms of which three are singles and two good size bathrooms.

There is parking for a number of vehicles and gardens to the rear.

Symonds & Sampson are quoting an auction guide price of £150,000 for the freehold and viewing can be arranged on 01308 863100.

Jeremy added 'Symonds & Sampson are recognised as being the number one auctioneers in the south-west and have a number of other auction dates



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NEW

SALE
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Larch Close, Seaton £149,000

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Hillymead, Seaton £229,950

A link-detached bungalow | Two bedrooms | Living room with wood burner | Requiring general modernisation throughout | Quiet, peaceful location | Within easing walking distance of the town centre | Integral single garage and off-road parking for two vehicles | South facing rear garden | Sealed unit double glazed & gas central heated | NO ONWARD CHAIN | EPC: B



Wychall Orchard, Seaton £159,950

A well presented ground floor flat | Two bedrooms | Kitchen | Living room | Bathroom with separate WC | Double glazed throughout | Benefitting from gas central heating | Attractive rear south facing garden | Garage and parking space | EPC: D



Fore Street, Seaton £84,950

Top Floor Apartment | One Double Bedroom | Newly installed Upvc double glazed windows throughout | Electric heating | Open Plan Lounge / Kitchen | Shower Room | Council Tax band A | Situated in heart of the town centre | Close to all amenities | EPC: E



Woodfields, Seaton £299,950

A detached chalet style property | Desirable, peaceful level location | Three bedrooms | Ground floor bedroom with en-suite shower room | Gas central heating | Sealed unit double glazing | Attractive enclosed gardens | Driveway, parking and single garage | NO ONWARD CHAIN | EPC: D



Seaforth Lodge, Seaton £155,000

Well presented, characterful maisonette | Two bedrooms | Spacious, dual aspect living room | Well fitted, modern kitchen | Modern white suite bathroom | En-suite cloakroom to bedroom one | Gas central heating and extensively double glazed | Communal, lawned gardens with sea view | Garage and parking space | 999 year lease (remainder of) & share of freehold | EPC: E



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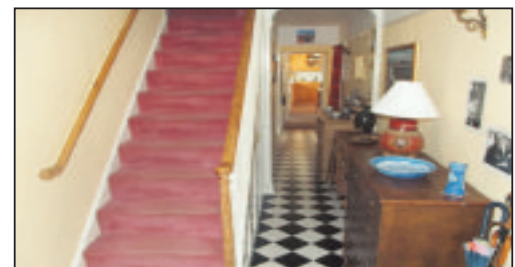
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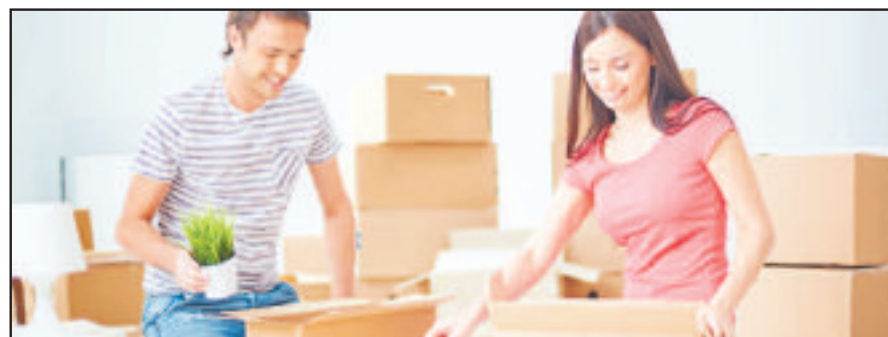
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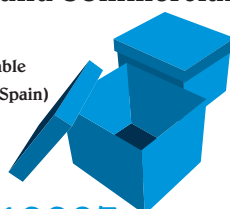
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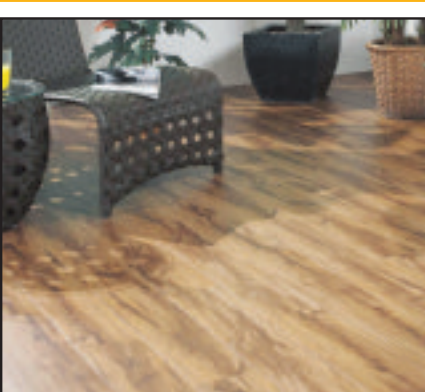
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PRECISION shares equal billing with power in the all-new Audi RS 5 Coupé, and this is particularly true of UK-bound examples which benefit from an enhanced specification bringing the pin-sharp clarity of the Audi Virtual Cockpit and the optimal handling adjustability delivered by the Audi sport differential as standard. The new high performance, high technology coupé with its advanced new 450PS V6 biturbo TFSI becomes available in the UK later this month priced from £62,900 OTR,

and will touch down here later in the summer.

With 600 Nm (442.5 lb-ft) of torque, the new 2.9-litre V6 holds a 170Nm advantage over its naturally aspirated predecessor, and delivers it to the tune of a charismatic soundtrack reminiscent of the V6 TFSI powering the original B5 RS 4. The top model in the A5 family sprints from 0 to 62mph in just 3.9 seconds and with the optional dynamic package reaches a top speed of 174mph.

Two turbochargers positioned cen-

trally between the cylinder banks guarantee exceptional response throughout the rev range, and combustion technology employing the B-cycle process with central direct injection ushers in a new level of efficiency for an RS model. Aided by a 60kg overall weight reduction versus the outgoing car, the V6 biturbo is capable of up to 32.5mpg combined, corresponding to 197 grams of CO2 per km – an efficiency gain of 17 percent over the previous model.

quattro with sport differential

The biturbo's copious power is deftly managed by the eight-speed tiptronic transmission with optimised shift times and by the reworked five-link front and all-new five-link rear RS-specific suspension, which is of course supported by quattro permanent all-wheel drive. The centre differential-based system distributes drive forces in a 40:60 front-to-rear ratio favouring dynamic handling with optimal traction, and in UK specification models is augmented by the quattro sport differential, which also apportions torque optimally between the rear wheels to promote even greater handling adjustability.

For the most committed drivers Audi Sport also offers optional RS sport suspension with Dynamic Ride Control (DRC), ceramic brakes and dynamic steering with

RS-specific tuning.

Pronounced air intakes, gaping oval exhaust tailpipes, quattro blisters complementing widened wheel arches and an exclusive honeycomb design for the single frame grille are among the features that render the elegantly updated A5 body fit to bear the RS badge. In this latest model, the look can also be further enhanced by new features such as a full carbon roof and by bundled appearance packs that accentuate the sill strips, mirror cappings and diffuser insert. The standard LED headlamps with their dynamic scrolling indicators can also be upgraded to Matrix LED units capable of intelligently diverting their high beam around oncoming and leading traffic for maximum illumination, and for maximum visual impact the sizeable 19-inch alloy wheels can also be upgraded to a 20-inch design.

Defining features also abound in the upscale and lavishly appointed interior. Fine Nappa leather-upholstered RS sport seats position the driver perfectly in relation to the flat-bottomed multifunction sport steering wheel and the tiptronic selector lever with its RS insignia. When the start button is pressed the exceptionally sharp and richly detailed graphics of the RS-specific, fully digital Audi Virtual Cockpit come to life.

This standard feature of UK RS 5 models features a customisable display incorporating special RS screens providing information on tyre pressure, torque and g-forces. The list of driver assistants that feature as standard also includes the Audi side assist blindspot monitoring system, Audi hill hold assist and the Audi drive select adaptive dynamics system offering fine-tuning of engine response, transmission shift points, steering weighting and the operating characteristics of the quattro system and sport differential.

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Teignmouth.....	34 30 71
Appledore.....	34 37 68
Newton Abbot Spurs.....	34 37 66
Brixham AFC.....	34 26 64
AXMINSTER TOWN.....	34 17 60
Torrifordside.....	34 27 57
Crediton Utd.....	34 22 57
Exeter University.....	34 27 55
St Martins.....	34 5 43
Sidmouth Town.....	34 13 43
Alphington.....	34 6 41
Bovey Tracey.....	34 18 35
Galmpton Utd.....	34 21 33
Liverton Utd.....	34 60 33
Totnes & Dartington.....	34 49 26
Budleigh Salterton.....	34 70 25
Exwick Villa.....	34 47 22

D&E Premier (final) Pld GDPts	
Honiton Town (C).....	28 79 69
Newtown.....	28 48 69
Elmore.....	28 52 64
Heavitree Utd.....	28 46 59
Okehampton Argyle.....	28 23 51
Seaton Town.....	28 0 43
Feniton.....	28 2 37
Beer Albion.....	28 6 37
Topsham Town.....	28 6 35
Uptonery.....	28 4 34
Clyst Valley.....	28 38 28
Newton St Cyres.....	28 33 26
Exmouth Amateurs.....	28 36 26*
Hatherleigh Town.....	28 29 19
Bow AAC.....	28 106 4

D&E Div 1 (final) Pld GDPts	
Cronies FC (C).....	20 72 53
Exeter Uni Res.....	20 19 38
Exmouth Town Res.....	20 15 35
Witheridge Res.....	20 5 35
Sidmouth Town Res.....	20 13 34
Lyme Regis.....	20 10 29
Colyton.....	20 2 27
Wellington Res.....	20 30 16
Alphington Res.....	20 28 15
Willand Rovers Res.....	20 33 14
Bickleigh.....	20 41 10

D&E Div 2 (26) Pld GDPts	
Lapford (C).....	25 85 64
Cullompton Rang Res.....	26 54 57
Chagford.....	26 32 47
Dawlish Utd.....	26 3 44
Heavitree Utd Res.....	25 16 42
University 3rds.....	24 20 41
Woodbury.....	26 10 39
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Tipton St John.....	26 33 23
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Exeter Univ 4ths.....	20 39 44
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Axminster Town Res.....	20 35 35
Honiton Town Res.....	20 4 30
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Whiton & Pinhoe.....	24 62 51
Winchester.....	24 31 48
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Friday, May 5th AXMINSTER HOSPITAL CUP FINAL Chard Town 4 Budleigh Salterton 0

TWO goals in the opening 15 minutes put Chard Town on the road to lifting the Axminster Hospital Cup at Tiger Way on Friday evening.

Taoufik Ben Salem opened the scoring after nine minutes and James Boyland made it 2-0 five minutes later leaving South West Peninsula League Division One side Budleigh Salterton with a mountain to climb.

But they never really came close to mounting a challenge. Boyland, who was on target the last time Chard lifted the trophy two years ago, made the result safe midway through the second half with his second and defender Andy Holmes rounded things off five minutes later.

Chard Town: Stu Parris, David Duarte, Pat Golden, Kieren Bailey, Andy Holmes, Luke Jackson, Max Westlake, Brad Miles, Taoufik Ben Salem (Capt), James Boyland, Steve Friend. Subs: Matt Howell, Scott Jakeman, Ryan Mason, Shaun Wells-Burr, Jake Wolfe.

D&E Round-up
with Collin Goodwin
BOW AAC waved goodbye to their short two-year stint in the Premier division losing 5-0 at home to HEAVITREE UNITED but they have gained many friends for their sportsmanship this season.

The mid Devon team have not won a match since they beat Elmore 2-0 exactly one year ago, and were then turned down by the League to withdraw their first team after many players left.

Instead they battled on with most of the Reserve team and will probably be relegated, but the club who are getting ready a new pitch for next season, are optimistic they will come again.

In their last match WITHERIDGE RES had to defeat runners up UNIVERSITY RES by at least 16 goals to deny Exmouth Town Res third place in Division One. Witheridge won 5-0 but as expected were a long way off their target so the club must settle for fourth place. Reece Jordan (2), Josh Wren, Will Martin and Lewis Hill scored the goals they did get.

Division Two champions LAPFORD won a cracking match at the UNIVERSITY 3rds 3-2. Mark Tucker their top scorer had all three goals. Lapford complete their season this thursday against third place CHAGFORD who may need a draw to cling on to that position.

Division Three BAMPFORD who finish third had the last word against runners up EXETER UNIVERSITY 4ths



■ CUP GLORY: Farway United Players pictured after being presented with the Tommy Tabberer Cup after Friday's 4-2 win over Charmouth at Lyme Regis FC's Davey Fort Ground.

Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

beating the students 9-0. Ryan White and Jason Manley with hat-tricks, Lewis White, James Phelps, and an own goal completing their tally.

Division Six champions WINKLEIGH won their last game 9-3 against HEMYOCK which means they have only dropped four points all season. Adam Bullen, Kris Jordan, Ciaran Lishman and Robin Knight all claimed doubles.

HALWILL denied LYME REGIS RES second place after defeating their West Dorset visitors 5-3. Kieran Daniels had all three goals for Lyme who led on three occasions

33 goals were scored in this division, the lowest haul being at ELMORE RES where they won 4-2 against DUNKESWELL ROVERS.

With Exeter University winning the Devon Premier cup on Thursday night at Coach Road, all three County cup competitions will reside in Exeter with Cronies and Royal Oak having lifted the Senior and Intermediate trophies in the previous two weeks.

Meanwhile, former Tiverton Town Reserves manager Warren Patmore has been appointed as D&E Premier Division outfit Elmore for the 2017-18 season.

MIDWEEK RESULTS
Monday, May 1st
PREMIER
Uptonery 2 Exmouth Amateurs 0

DIVISION 6
Lyme Regis 5 (J.Simier 2, S.Batey, K.Daniels, M.Bailey, Elmore 3 (M.King 2, OG)

CARLISLE CUP SEMI FINAL

Uptonery 0 Kentisbeare 5
Today (Tuesday)
GOLESWORTHY SF
Offwell Rangers 3 Sidmouth Town 4

SEATON CUP SEMI FINAL
Honiton Town 0 Seaton Town 5

WEDNESDAY, May 3rd
PREMIER
Elmore 2 Feniton 0

DIVISION 2
Woodbury 1 Chagford 3

EAST DEVON SENIOR SF
Witheridge 2 Newtown 3 (B.Howard 2, D.Osmond)

GRANDISSON CUP SEMI FINAL
Axmouth United 0 Cronies 2 (R.Burrows, R.Willey)

THURSDAY, May 4th
DEVON PREMIER CUP FINAL
Exeter University v
East Allington or The Windmill

GOLESWORTHY CUP SEMI FINAL
Kentisbeare v Otterton

FRIDAY, May 5th
AXMINSTER HOSPITAL CUP FINAL
Budleigh Salterton 0 Chard Town 4 (J.Boyland 2, A.Holmes, T.Ben Salem)

TOMMY TABBERER CUP FINAL
Charmouth 2 (B.Ward, J.Smith)
Farway Utd 4 (M.Broom 2, O.Reed, O.Reed).

RESULTS
MACRON DEVON & EXETER PREMIER

Bow AAC 0, Heavitree United 5.
DIVISION ONE
University 0, Witheridge 5.

DIVISION TWO
University 2, Lapford 3.

DIVISION THREE
Bampton 9, University 0.

DIVISION SIX
Elmore 4, Dunkeswell Rovers 2.

Halwill 5, Lyme Regis 3.
Offwell Rangers 4, Central FC 3.
Winkleigh 9, Hemyock 3.

FIXTURES
Tonight (Tuesday)
MORRISON BELL CUP Semi final
(at Ottery 7pm)
Cronies v Newton Poppleford

Wednesday, May 10th
DIVISION 2
Heavitree United v University

GRANDISSON CUP SEMI FINAL
(at Ottery 7pm)
Budleigh Salterton v Sidmouth Town

SEATON CUP SEMI FINAL
(6.30pm)
Uptonery v Combe St Nicholas

Thursday, May 11th
DIVISION 2
Lapford v Chagford

GOLESWORTHY CUP FINAL

(at Ottery)
Kentisbeare v Sidmouth Town

Saturday, May 13th
BILL SLEE CUP SEMI FINAL
Tedburn St Mary v University

PERRY STREET LEAGUE
with Howard Larcombe
HAWKCHURCH United's chances of a stab at the Premier Division took a blow with 2-1 defeat at Uplyme.

Brad Rowe scored both for the hosts before being shown a straight red card by referee Paul Spurrell for foul and abusive language. Josh Short netted for the Hawks. Hawkchurch can clinch runners-up spot and promotion with a home victory over champions-elect Merriott Rovers tonight (Tuesday, 6.15pm ko).

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Promising start for AX

AXMINSTER Cricket Club captain Paul Miller reports that both teams have made a solid start to the new season.

The second XI won its first game, with the help of three members from their ladies league championship winning team from last season team.

All existing players and new members are welcome to take part in club training every Wednesday evening at Cloakham Lawn Sports Centre.

This will be a great opportunity to brush off those winter cobwebs and get stuck into the new season.

The club has a strong junior membership under the leadership of head coach Dan Murnane and provides coaching to assist those who wish to develop their skills.

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Pulman's Sports' cricket coverage for the 2017 Devon League season begins in next week's edition. Any local teams wishing to send in a team photo or regular match reports please email to howard@view.news.co.uk

football tables

D&E Div 6 (final) Pld GDPts	
Winkleigh (C).....	24 91 67
Exwick Village.....	24 52 53
Lyme Regis Res.....	24 45 51
Central FC.....	24 27 45
Halwill Reserves.....	24 24 42
Hemyock.....	24 34 40
Offwell Rangers.....	24 1639*
Elmore Reserves.....	24 20 37
Tivvy Park.....	24 25 23
Stoke Hill.....	24 4222*
Dunkeswell Rovers.....	24 53 18
Hatherleigh Res.....	24 9210*
Silverton.....	24 97 5

D&E Div 7 (final) Pld GDPts	
Ilminster Res (C).....	22 41 56
Cranbrook.....	22 57 54
Wellington 3rds.....	22 26 51
Sidmouth 3rds.....	22 37 42
Exmouth Spartans.....	22 4 37
Bickleigh Reserves.....	22 0 29
K&M Polonia.....	22 14 25
Cheriton Fitzpaine.....	22 14 23
Woodbury Res.....	22 33 23
Seaton Town Res.....	22 320*
Colyton Reserves.....	22 34 13
HT Dons.....	22 47 7

D&E Div 8 (final) Pld GDPts	
Uptonery Res (C).....	22 59 54
Bravehearts.....	22 71 52
Axminster 3rds.....	22 3944*
Queen's Head.....	22 9 37
Bampton Reserves.....	22 19 36
Kentisbeare Res.....	22 24 34
Lapford Reserves.....	22 16 34
Newton Popp'd Res.....	22 15 26
Amory Green.....	22 29 20
Seven Stars Kenn'd.....	22 6312*
Bradinch.....	22 5611*
Sandford Reserves.....	22 74 11

D&E Div 9 (Final) Pld GDPts	
St Martins 3rds (C).....	18 16 37
Witheridge 3rds.....	18 26 35
Chagford Reserves.....	18 27 34
Millway Rise Res.....	18 13 29
East Budleigh Res.....	18 9 29
Honiton Town 3rds.....	18 8 29
Tedburn St Mary.....	18 8 21
Amory Green Res.....	18 9 20
Central FC Res.....	18 30 15
Feniton 3rds.....	18 52 7

Perry St Prem (18)PldGDPts	
Barrington (C).....	17 32 41
South Petherton.....	18 40 40
Beaminsters.....	18 46 37
Misterton.....	18 32 33
Shepton Beau.....	17 11 32
Winsham Utd.....	19 19 20
Chard Utd.....	18 8 21
W & M Chincock.....	18 20 13
Netherbury.....	18 47 9
Combe Reserves.....	18 47 6*

Perry St Div 1 (18)PldGDPts	
Merriott Rovers.....	17 42 36
Wayton Hounds.....	18 20 35
Forton Rangers.....	18 34 33
Hawkchurch Utd.....	17 30 32
Ilminster Colts.....	18 10 32
Pymore.....	16 18 30
Uplyme.....	18 11 23
Shepton Beau Res.....	18 3014*
Combe A.....	17 28 6*
S.Petherton Res.....	17 107 5

Perry St Div 2 (18)Pld GDPts	
Halstock.....	17 32 39
Farway Utd.....	16 27 33
Chard Rangers.....	16 24 32
Winsham Utd Res.....	16 15 31
Charmouth.....	17 18 26
Dowlish & Donyatt.....	18 16 22
Crewkerne Rangers.....	18 2 20
Kingsbury Episcopi.....	18 30 17
Thorncombe.....	18 15 16
Chard Utd Reserves.....	17 73 7

Perry St Div 3 (22) PldGDPts	
Misterton Reserves.....	22 93 56
Forton Rangers Res.....	21 71 55
Uplyme Reserves.....	20 58 48
Thorncombe Res.....	22 3 33
Merriott Dynamos.....	21 7 30
Lyme Regis Rovers.....	21 1629*
Crewk Rangers Res.....	22 7 29
Ilminster Town A.....	21 16 28
Fivehead.....	22 29 28
Farway Utd Res.....	22 38 16
Chard Rangers Res.....	22 51 11
Chard Utd All Stars.....	22 107 5

jack high bowls round-up

Winning start for Merriott bowlers

OTTERY ST MARY with Mike Smith
OTTERY'S winning run finally came to an end with 141-138 defeat in the visit of tourists WESTLECOT, although Ottery won the rinks 5-2, the best being Jan Richardson, Carol Bennett, Derek Hunt & skip Brian Baker 28-10.

The next day Ottery got back to winning ways with a 102-89 home triumph over FENITON, the best rink was Keith Thorley, Jill White, Charlie Griffin & skip Fred Dart 20-14.

In the first week of the Men's Over 60s league, the A team lost at home to HEAVITREE A on both rinks.

The B team had a fighting draw away to ST THOMAS B, the winning rink being that of Tony Bushell, Norman Lawrence and skip Ray Luscombe 17-11 and finally the C team narrowly lost away to BROADCLYST on both rinks.

To end the week Ottery had another fine win 110-73 away at MADEIRA in a friendly. The best rink was Terri Ward, Val Jones, Kevin Vernon & skip John Ward 24-12.

Friday club nights are again a regular feature and all new players are welcomed to attend from 6pm, free coaching and equipment will be provided, flat shoes or trainers are the only requirement, for more information contact Mike Smith on 01404 811195.

HONITON with Julie Grant

MONDAY evening saw Laraine Carless, Daphne Courtney, Jimmy Smith & Trevor Pipe win 23-10 as the best rink in the East of Exe League away at HEMYOCK and although Honiton lost 69-60 overall.

The next day the ladies tried to SHALDON and won 30-28 in the Over 50 Triples league, winning rink; Tracey Lambert, Berry Maynard & Shirley Hiscocks 18-9.

The Men's over 60 B team won 52-21 against TOPSHAM C with the best rink being David Tooley, Tony Tooley & Trevor Pipe 34-5.

The A team had a difficult game to start their season and lost by eight shots away at TOPSHAM A.

Both mixed friendlies were lost; 78-52 at SEATON and 109-80 at home against VALE TOURIST with one winning rink of Iris Long, John Munslow, Berry Maynard & Ken Clarke 16-14.

SEATON with Alan Nicholas

SEATON'S commenced last week with a 132-74 win in the friendly against tourists WESTLECOT from Wiltshire. The top rink was Ed Backhouse, Tony Johnson, Maria Johnson & Ken Shean.

The friendly against another touring team - Suffolk-based BOROUGH OF EYE - brought 113-82 defeat. Seaton's top rink was, Gill Sykes, Graham Thomas, Terry Hurley-Smith & Ken Shean.

In the Men's over 60s Triples League Seaton A beat MARINA A 38-23 at home. Seaton's best

triple was Terry Hurley-Smith, Ken Shean & Roger Woolland (26-10). In Division Three Seaton B defeated visitors MORCHARD BISHOP 42-25, scoring eight points. The top triple was Norman Stone, Richard Whitworth & Jeremy Allison (21-9).

The Seaton's C team, in Division Eight went down 36-33 at SIDMOUTH B, with Seaton taking just two points. Top triple for Seaton was, John Bellamy, Dennis Ridd & Colin Lynch (17-16).

The Ladies' over 50s Triple League teams both played away games. Seaton Red won 40-25 at EXONIA 40 top triple was Ann Joyner, Sue Banwell-Moore & Lin Allison.

Seaton Blue went down 49-30 at CREDITON on what was described as a 'challenging' green. The Seaton winning rink was Barbara Sluman, Lilian Hurley-Smith & Marian Vessey.

The first East of Exe Mixed League match brought an 80-65 home win against FENITON, top rink was Ed Backhouse, Sue Banwell-Moore, Lilian Hurley-Smith & Dave Yardley.

Earlier on that day Seaton beat HONITON 79-52 in a home friendly top rink was Hilary Sunderland, Gareth Mettam, Peter Greenwood & Jeremy Allison.

ILMINSTER with Des Maull

THE Indoor presentation evening was held on Thursday 27th with the Milford & Dormor mixed triples winners shield presented by Gerald Creech and Sally Lowe.

The outdoor season started with the opening of the green. The opening woods were delivered by captains Norma Pugh and Dave Crouch this was followed by the traditional 'spider' followed by a five rink triples.

Anyone wishing to try outdoor or indoor Bowls can call at the club for further information or phone 01460- 52268.

A men's three-rink friendly was won 67-48 against NORTH PETHERTON on Friday. Details: Des Maull, Steve Yarrow, Eric Keitch & John Osborne 23-17; Kevin Crouch, Pete Bloomfield, Dave Pugh & Phil Cox 27-11; Steve Peasland, Ian Dunford, Dave Hall & Rod Parkin 17-20.

Sunday saw visitors FENITON win a four-rink friendly 89-58. Details: Oli Collins, Derek Coates, Norma Pugh & David Pugh 23-16; Val Dargue, Barbara Ball, Margaret Evans & Roy Orme 7-26; Des Maull, Marjorie Smith, Sarah Lightfoot & Barry Sims 13-25; Brian Welch, Julian Smith, Chris Davies & Briane Davies 16-22.

Anyone interested in entering a team for the 2017/2018 indoor season please phone 01460 57303 or the Club on 0146052268.

FENITON with Roger Smith

IN the first matches of the men's over 60s league the B team defeated BRADNINCH B 35-34. The winning rink was C Maynard, L Ley & R Clarke 23-13. The A team lost 42-31 away at CULM VALE A.

The Ladies drew their over 50s match with

EXETER ST THOMAS 31-31. The winning rink was G Blackmore, D Bowden & D Phillips 24-10. They lost their NBTL match against PINCES GARDEN 41-18.

In the first East of Exe League match the mixed team lost 80-65 away at SEATON. The only winning rink was G Blackmore, R Cooke, S Kury & I Veitch 25-13. This rink must also be congratulated on achieving a Hot Shot (scoring with all eight woods on one end).

The mixed team lost 102-89 away at neighbours OTTERY ST MARY. The only winning rink was B Bowden, M Mitchell, R Veitch & I Veitch 20-18.

However, fortunes changed against ILMINSTER where they won 89-59. The winning rinks were B Bowden, A Pritchard, R Cooke & K Lovering 26-7, L Crook, Ru Clarke, R Veitch & A Kury 25-15 and D Downs, S Kury, D Coyne & Ro Clarke 22-16.

CHARDSTOCK with Vaughan Fletcher

FOLLOWING two excellent draws against Madeira Men and Yeovil Ladies in the first two weeks of the season the club finally got its first win beating Chard 97-90.

Recent Results:

Exeter & District Over 60s Triples League: Chardstock A 32 Madeira A 37; K Wakelin, J Rolph & J Porter 18-13, P Compton, M Toms & N Denslow 14-24.

Chardstock 26 Tiverton 35; D Eldridge, B Howard & W Kerr 14-18, G Bodily, P Woods & J Tucker 12-17.

Friendlies:

Chard 90 Chardstock 97; N Mugridge, R Pratt, J Tucker, & John Porter 11-14. A Calaghan, Jeanette Porter & N Denslow 14-11. C Bradford, D Emery & J Rolph 15-19. B Howard, Ann Dredge & T Dredge 30-11. P Baldwin, Adam Dredge & G Campbell 11-17. J Pratt, E Rolph & S Jeffrey 16-18.

Queen Camel 95 Chardstock 64; N Mugridge, D Hatcliffe, J Keats & J Marks 19-17. A Waddington, J Porter, G Bodily & V Fletcher 6-42. K Wakelin, P Waddington, E Rolph & S Hatcliffe 23-17. P Baldwin, C Bradford, A Sebright & J Rolph 16-19.

MERRIOTT with Jean Crisp

MERRIOTT won their first match, a friendly against LYME REGIS, 86-74 on April 28th. Rink scores: D.Lewsey, A.Williams, J.Crisp & A.Truscott lost 17-23. P.Williams, A.Compton, E.Rush & N.Whitfield won 32 - 19. J.Booth, B.Dibble, B.Whitfield & D.Baker tied 17-17. M.Allen, S.Howson-Green, C.Truscott & R.Self won 20-15.

The following day Merriott won 76-62 in another friendly against EASTOVER PARK. Rink Scores: T.Mortimer, J.Crisp, B.Rosewell & D.Baker won 18-12. M.Allen, B.Dibble, I.Kendall & R.Self lost 17-19. J.Ashby, A.Williams, P.Stow & J.Parsons won 21-16. P.Williams, S.Nuttall, N.Whitfield & C. Parsons won 20-15.

rugby chard rfc

Youngsters in form

CHARD Rugby Club's under 14s welcomed Combe Down to Essex Close for the first time to play some 7s rugby as the season for the 15-man game had come to a close. Chard won all three matches with the last game being the closest with Chard winning by just a single score.

Chard RFC had an awards ceremony for their youth section at the town's guildhall hosted by M&Js Chairman Gavin Watts with mayor Cllr Dave Bulmer in attendance to hand out the awards in front of a full

house of family and friends of the young players.

Each of the Minis teams had three awards; the most improved, Coaches Player and Players' Player. The Junior teams had their turn with Top try scorer, Coaches' Player and Players' player.

The final award of the day was the Junior Clubman of the Year and was presented by Head Coach Simon Jenkins to Kieran Smillie who was nominated for the hard work that he puts in to helping at the club.



■ MATCH ACTION: Chard's Chas O'Shaughnessy makes a break for the line against Combe Down

on the frontier around the local skittles leagues

Axminster Conservative Club crowned double winners

COLYTON

PLAY-OFF results

Division One runners-up play-off, Gerrard A 402 (S Perry 74), New Inn A 378 (R Webb 72), Red Lion Cavaliers 346 (H Harris 65);

Division Two Winners/Runners-up, Sidbury Village Inn 431 (G Little 87), Vine Nomads 391 (D Norman 74);

Division Three Relegation, Mountbatten Whites 364 (S Bonetta 73) Kingfisher A 333 (A Parsons 64);

Division Four Runners-up, Heathfield A 370 (D Crabb 69) Kings Arms A 362 (R Allen 69);

Division Five Winner /Runners-up, Colyton Club B 341 (G Richards 62) Colcombe Nomads 336 (W Mudd 63);

Mike Hussey Memorial Pairs final: Winners: Red Lion Cavaliers 124 (H Harris, M Summers). Runners-up: Volunteer A 95 (S Thornton, M Gillard). Tuckers B 93 (R Seward,Lorna Gould). Cloakham Wanderers 92 (C Coulson, G Hayball), Honiton Con D 91 (D Wakley, M Wak-

ley), Kingfisher A 90 (M Griffiths, R Collier), Colcombe A 86 (G Parsons, B Pike), Tuckers C 85 (T Patch, F Pearse), Kings Arms Beers 76 (S Somers, J Somers), Red Lion Sidbury 73 (J Beaton, P Warren).

Division One	Pld	Pts
Axe Con A	26	33
Gerrard A	26	32
New Inn A	26	32
Red Lion Cava	26	32
Honiton Con D	26	31
Lamb B	26	28
Seaton AFC A	26	28
Tuckers B	26	27
Vine B	26	24
Red Lion A	26	23
Colyton Club A	26	21
Cloakham B	26	20
Colcombe A	26	18
Lamb A	26	15

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Volunteer A	26	37
Offwell A	26	34
Sidbury SC Stones	26	30
Vine A	26	30
Ship C	26	29
Honiton Converts	26	28
Wheelwright A	26	25
Dolphin Vikings	26	24
Gerrard B	26	24

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Sidbury Village Inn	22	29
Vine Nomads	22	29
Red Lion Sidbury	22	23
Cloakham Wanderers	22	22
Volunteer B	22	22
Wilmington Harps	22	22
Three Tuns BTP	22	21
White Hart B	22	21
Mountbatten Whites	22	20

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Rising Sun A	22	37
Heathfield A	22	28
Kings Arms A	22	28
Axe Inn A	22	27
Seaton AFC B	22	20
Honiton Con A	22	19
Honiton Con Artists	22	18
New Inn B	22	18
Rising Sun B	22	18
Winstons	22	18
Honiton WMC B	22	17

Division Five	Pld	Pts
Colyton Club B	21	40
Colcombe Nomads	22	40
Seaton Bowling	22	27
Offwell Rejects	21	26
Sidmouth Arms Kings	21	24
White Hart A	21	22
Kingfisher B	21	20
Winstons Koots	21	19
Dolphin B	21	18
Heathfield B	21	12
Tuckers Arms D	21	10
Honiton Con Raiders	21	6



■ GREAT SEASON: The Axminster Conservative Club A team which completed the rare league and cup double in the Colyton Skittles League. Photo by STEVE MOORE

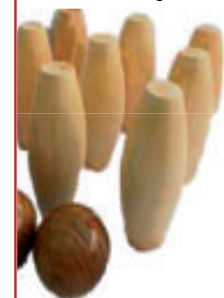
Honiton WMC A	26	23
Eagle Tavern	26	22
Colcombe Beerboys	26	21
Tuckers Arms A	26	21
Kings Arms Beers	26	14
Kingfisher A	22	20
Colcombe B	22	18
Ship A	22	16

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Rising Sun A	22	37
Heathfield A	22	28
Kings Arms A	22	28
Axe Inn A	22	27
Seaton AFC B	22	20
Honiton Con A	22	19
Honiton Con Artists	22	18
New Inn B	22	18
Rising Sun B	22	18
Winstons	22	18
Honiton WMC B	22	17

Tuckers Arms C	22	15
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AXMINSTER SKITTLE LEAGUE

The AGM will be held at the Axminster Inn on Wednesday May 17th at 8pm.



Now we are covering a larger area new teams are required for both gents and ladies leagues.

Contact Mrs J Flint - 01297 631591
Skittle Balls, Pins etc. available for hire.

boxing chard abc

Title for Ayers



■ KNOCKOUT: Yarcombe boxer Spencer Ayers of Chard Amateur Boxing Club has become the Western Counties Champion under 43kg at the first attempt at just 12 years old. Ayers entered the English National Championships and won his title at Bristol and is now ranked in the top eight in the country for his category. Chard ABC is always looking for new members and supporters, for more info contact their Facebook page.

boules axe valley

Div One: Kings Arms A 0 Kingfisher A 5; Golden Hind B 4 Axe Cliff B 1; Fishers 5 Kingfisher Rebels 0; Whitford Warriors 2 Ship Castaways 3; Gerrard Arms B 5 Colyton FC 0.

Div Two: New Inners 3 Beer Mariners 2; Shipwrecked 4 Royal Clarence A 1; Kingfisher Stars 3 Eyre Court A 2; Beer Mariners 4 Golden Wonders 1; Royal Clarence B 1 New Inners 4.

Div Three: Kings Jesters 5 Gerrard Red Balls 0; New White Hart 3 White Hart Movers 2; Cloakham Lawns 0 Seaton FC A 5; Axe Cliff Mixed 1 Lamb Visitors 4.

Division One	Pld	Pts	Beer Mariners	Pld	Pts
Kingfisher A	3	12	Kingfisher Stars	3	6
Fishers	3	11	Eyre Court A	3	6
Golden Hind B	3	10	Royal Clarence A	3	3
Gerrard Arms B	3	8	Royal Clarence B	1	1
Kingfisher Rebels	3	8			
Whitford Warriors	2	5			
Axe Cliff B	3	4			
Ship Castaways	3	5			
Colyton FC	2	2			
Kings Arms A	3	2			
Division Two	Pld	Pts	Division Three	Pld	Pts
New Inners	3	11	New White Hart	3	10
Shipwrecked	3	8	White Hart Movers	3	8
Golden Wonders	3	8	Seaton Town FC A	2	7
New Inn Flyers	2	6	Kings Jesters	2	7
			Lamb Visitors	3	7
			Cloakham Lawns	3	5
			Axe Cliff Mixed	2	4
			Lamb Mutton	2	4
			Gerrard Red Balls	2	3

cribbage round-up

AXMINSTER SUMMER LEAGUE Losers Cup Round One: New Inn Kilmington 4 Lamb Swans 0, Dolphin Beer 2 Axminster Cons A 3.

Fixtures (Monday, May 15th): Dolphin Beer v Axminster Coins A, New Inn Kilmington v Cloakham Lawns, Axminster Cons B v Lamb Swans.

hockey chard

Come and have a go!

AFTER the success of the project last year, Chard Hockey Club is launching "Back to Hockey 2017" tomorrow (Wednesday).

In conjunction with a national initiative run by Great Britain Hockey, the emphasis is "play on the social side."

Aimed specifically at anyone who has played the game in the past and who wants to come back to it and also those

who have fancied trying hockey, but have never got round to it before.

Sessions will run from 7 to 8pm every Wednesday on the Holyrood Academy all weather pitch, Zembard Lane, Chard. Club members will be on hand to offer advice, demonstrate skills and organise games.

The fee per session is just £2 per head. Everybody is welcome.

tee off golf

Uttley promoted after outstanding round

HONITON

with John Pawley

THE opportunity to progress to the regional final of the Men's Mercedes Benz Stableford competition at East Devon GC was the challenge for the men in the pouring rain of last Sunday. Division One winner was Steve Key with 35pts while Division Two was won by Keith Crane (36) and John Tierney (29).

The course was closed until midday on the Bank Holiday Monday, but opened just in time for the President's Trophy when the format was mixed foursomes. Two pairings managed to beat par off the ladies card.

Winning the impressive trophy with a net 70 was Julian Netherway & Janet Hughes ahead of Charlie & Catherine Doherty with net 71.5. Revenge was sweet for the victors, having narrowly missed out last Bank Holiday, to the runners up, for the coveted Thornton's Easter eggs.

Apologies for an error in last week's report in the ladies, it should have said that Elizabeth Ward achieved 42pts.

The trophy on offer to the ladies last week was the Medal Trophy - open only to those who had won medal competitions in the last year.

The winner, with an outstanding net 69 was Cathy Uttley, earning her promotion to Silver Division, and a handicap reduction. Runner-up was Diana Gee with a net 72 - also with a handicap cut.

The other 36 ladies competed in a Medal competition with the winner in Silver Division being Elaine Utting with her 77, on count-back

from Olwen Eaton.

Bronze One winner was Cathy Uttley ahead of Diana Gee (72) and Joan Smith (74) on count-back from Penny Blackburn. Bronze Two winner was Catherine Pawley with 74, ahead of Susan Hyde (77) and Jan Portlock (81).

The nine-hole Stableford competition was won by Catherine Hunt with 17 points.

On Friday only 55 seniors turned out for the 3BBB competition as many were away at other matches. With two to count, off ¼ of their handicap, the wind wasn't the only challenge.

Scores were a little lower than expected but the winning tally of 73 points was achieved by three teams.

Alex Neil arrived on the tee to find he had been cut two shots but playing off 24 proved no problem as he partnered John Locke and Mike Jones to first place.

Colin Hughes, David Woodruff & Alan Devenny were second on count-back with Derek Herrington, John Birch & Robert Canterbury third. Mike Sennitt, David Scott & Ian Orford were next with 71 points.

Four players achieved 2s - Fred Thomas on the 2nd, Max Pipe and Alan Devenny on the 7th, and John Birch on the 10th.

The seniors played a match against Oake Manor on Tuesday and came away winners 5½-½ with Gerry Bolton sinking a hole-in-one at the 2nd.

Saturday brought the first club Open where the 3BBB Stableford competition attracted over 140 players.

Cathy Uttley won nearest the pin for the ladies, whilst Jason Lovering won the men's prize and Dan White-

house hit the longest drive.

The winning team were the Honiton trio of James Spiller, Steve Key & Paul Borkowski with 48 points. Graham Charleton, Peter Wainwright & Laurie Quinn were next with 46 ahead on count-back from Jason Lovering, Jono Barker & Darren Moore.

CRICKET ST THOMAS

with Bert Robinson

EIGHTEEN Seniors played a three-man Texas Scramble competition last Monday.

Result: 1st Mike Hone; Bert Robinson & Martin Leigh 58.5, 2nd Richard Hall; Barrie Singleton & Steve Attyeo 62.2, 3rd John Pearce; Nobby Hodder & Chris Basterfield 62.8.

The Seniors staged the Captain's Charity Open invitation team stableford competition last Thursday when 12 teams of eight entered in a shot gun start.

Result: 1st Wrangaton 160 points, 2nd Stover 158, 3rd Lyme Regis 158.

After the event, the players enjoyed a dinner hosted by Cricket St Thomas owner Steve Hill. Captain Roger Stone announced that the event had raised £1,333 for his charity, Diabetes UK.

On Friday 51 seniors took part in the May monthly medal.

Results: Div One; 1st Roger Stone (69), 2nd Chris Gingell (70), 3rd Bob Barrow (70).

Div Two: 1st Mike Light (72), 2nd Bob Hollingsworth (74), 3rd Nick Clarke (74).

AXE CLIFF

with Peter Motson

THE Ladies section played the May Medal and the 1st round of the Axe Cliff Cup last Wednesday.

Stella Thompson played



■ WELL DONE: Honiton GC President Max Pipe (centre) awards the Presidents Cup to Julian Netherway and Janet Hughes.

the best round by a long way getting her handicap cut from 25 to 24 as she won with a nett 74.

Margaret Kenchington was second with a nett 80 followed by Barbara Cummings with a nett 81 on countback from Anne Jarvis.

On Friday the Sheelah Creasy Bronze Ladies were beaten 6-1 at Stover.

In a very eventful week, three Ladies travelled to Tavistock on Friday to compete in the first County Seniors Championships but the competition was abandoned as the course became unplayable due to high winds.

The Seniors held their Seniors Open stableford competition on Friday which was contested by 60 players including 24 visitors from Honiton, Sidmouth, Merlyn, East Devon, Dawlish Warren, Churston, Bridport, and Ashley Wood.

The visitors' Silver Salver was won on count back by Chester Barnes & Kevin Si-

mons from Churston, with 41 points. Ron Rogers & Brian Jones from the Dorset-based Ashley Wood, also racked up 41 to come in second.

Dave Rendell & Malcolm Noble from Bridport came 3rd with 38.

The prestigious JB Trophy was won by Mick Tomes & Alan Vincent with 40 points. This was closely followed by Gilbert Cox & Rob Grove who carded 39 for 2nd place on countback from Simon Wellington & Bill Polley.

The winners were awarded vouchers of £50 each, 2nd placed won £30 each and £20 went to each of the 3rd placed players.

Nearest the pin on the par three holes, winning a bottle of whiskey each were: Adrian Bishop (7th hole), Dave Bruce (11th), Rob Heard (14th) and Mick Swann (18th).

With the strong wind it was not surprising that only Dave Bruce, Kevin Simons, Simon Wellington and Bill Polley managed to card 2s.

starter's orders running news

Smith shows versatility in European Duathlon

Axe Valley Runners

with Dave Mutter.

JAKE Smith represented GB at the EUROPEAN DUATHLON Championships in Spain last weekend.

The sprint race was a 5K run, 20K cycle followed by a 2.5K run and Jake performed excellently in the field of 337 finishing 7th overall and 1st in his age group (AG) after the first run.

After the Cycling he dropped to 47th overall and 10th AG but pulled back with the third-fastest second run to finish 64th overall and 9th AG.

Jake stopped off on the way home the following day for a 3,000m race and duly set a PB of 8:48!

By competing in the Exeter Uni Aquathlon, which was the last in the Exeter Tri Club Series Jonathan and Ethan Day stepped up from Novice to Sprint grade; a 600m Pool Swim followed by a three-mile run.

Ethan swam well and exited the pool with Jon 5 lengths behind. Ethan was first to finish, 26th out of 61 in 13:19 and run time 20:25 so 33:44 overall.

Jonathan lagged behind coming 34th with a swim time of 13:57, run time 21:51 overall 35:48.

Sue Wall ran the GREAT BRISTOL 10K in 56:40 beating her previous best 10k by over nine minutes.

There was a great turnout of 138 runners for the BEER BLAZER 10K that was won by Richard Bateson of Yeovil Town RRC in 42:52 with AVR Matt Clist 2nd, 18:54:00 and Tim Lenton 3rd, 1st M40, 19:47:00. James

Green was 4th, 20:57:00. 1st lady home was Hannah Bown of Exmouth Harriers in 52:48.

Other AVR times were: Garry Perarratt 5th, 1st M50, 21:30:00; Matt Hewer 9th, 2:16:00; Josh Hopson 11th, 3:35:00; Ollie Rodger 12th, 1st M15, 4:00:00; Tim Sibley 19th, 1st M45, 6:06:00; Iain Horlock 23rd, 7:00:00; Eleanor Wood 26th, 1st F60, 7:40:00; Stephen Grigg 30th, 8:15:00; Karen Eyre 32nd, 1st F45, 8:26:00; Roger Bramley 40th, 10:18:00; Alan Morbey 41st, 10:29:00; Tony Smith 42nd, 10:35:00; Steve Haines 43rd, 1st M60, 10:35:00; Sue Hayes 47th, 1st F40, 11:22:00; Richard Jackson 53rd, 1:01:40; Kelly Stamp 55th, 1:02:19; Louise Burrige 62nd, 1:04:02; Keith Agland 63rd, 1:04:12; Andrew Hartnell 64th, 1:04:24; Andrew Sayers 65th, 1st M70, 1:04:34; Sarah Herfet 72nd, 1:06:31; Anders Larsson 75th, 1:06:51; Georgia Dommett 78th, 1:07:18; Samantha Miller 80th, 1:07:38; Steven Lewis 83rd, 1st M65, 1:08:01; Nick Adams 86th, 1:09:07; Chris Hill 90th, 1:09:58; Angela Kerr 94th, 1:12:12; Yvette Hill 95th, 1:12:12; John Melldow 106th, 1:17:12; Suzy Eul-Brown 113th, 1:18:20; Martin Kerr 117th, 1:19:08; Sandra Mortimer 121st, 1:21:46; Amie Sibley 124th, 1:22:18; Emma Ellynn 125th, 1:22:18; Rachel Hiscock 131st, 1:25:46; Esther Maclure 134th, 1:34:44 and Steve Maclure 135th, 1:34:48.

AVR's 11-year-old Tom Perry won the 5K event in 20:38 with AVR's Charlie Kendall 2nd, 21:51 and Jack

Fitzgerald of Woodroffe School 3rd, 21:55. Kate Marriott of Sidmouth College was the 1st girl home in 23:13.

Chard Road Runners

with Paul Masters

CRR's were off on a Frolic and a Triathlon last weekend.

Helen Baxter took part in THE OX FROLIC is a 12-hour timed event where you run as many laps (10k/lap) and when you have had enough that's it.

Helen edged past her longest ever run distance and in crossing the line in 9:40:25 had ran an impressive 38 miles.

Further afield Rachel Bird and Stevie Potter took part in the MAJORCA TRIATHLON consisting of a 1500m sea swim, 39km draft legal bike leg and a 9.4km run.

Setting off for the swim in the crystal clear mediterranean waters Rachel completed in 20.41 with Stevie only a few minutes behind in 25.06.

Next the cycle leg was a new experience for both of them as the athletes could ride in a group, rather than individually as in most UK Triathlons. They both pushed hard on the bike but kept some energy in reserve for the 9.4km run.

Rachel crossed the line in a total time of 2 hours 11 mins and 14 seconds to come a fantastic 5th in her age category and 10th Lady overall. Stevie finished in 2:19:30 to come 11th in her age category

CRR's are staging THE WAMBROOK WADDLE 10k off road race starting at 11am from The Tythe Barn Cotley.

Honiton Running Club

SEVERAL Honiton Running Club members took on the 10k off road BEER BLAZER in ideal conditions on Sunday.

This takes in one of the nastier sections of the infamous Grizzly with competitors running the length of Branscombe Beach before climbing the Stairway to Heaven.

The winner was Richard Bateson who finished in 42 minutes 52 seconds.

First back for HRC was Will Daly who came 6th overall in 46:41. Next was Rod Inglis 18th in 52:58 while by Steve Davey came 25th in 55:14.

Howard Bidmead, returning from injury, did well to come 50th in 1:00:43 ahead of Paula Ferris, who finished 58th in 1:02:48.

Andy Ashford came 73rd in 1:06:39 and Joe Daly completed the line-up coming in 100th of the 138 finishers in 1:15:09.

Sisters Phoebe and Alice Clark took part in the FUN RUN. Phoebe was 1st girl and 2nd overall and Alice was 3rd girl and 8th overall.

Meanwhile, Roger Saunders finished 62nd in 46:59 in the CREDITON CRUNCH to keep his standings up in the Instep Devon championship. The winner was Exmouth Harriers' Robert Ellis in 33:38.

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Four-goal Farway heading for history

**Charmouth 2
Farway United 4**

Tommy Tabberer Cup Final
 FARWAY completed the second leg of a possible cup and promotion treble in front of a crowd of 170 at Lyme Regis FC's Davey Fort on Friday evening.

A dour first half finally exploded into life five minutes before the interval. Charmouth right back Ryan Hayter gave away a needless foul out by the corner flag and Ernie Stobbs' free kick found an unmarked Ollie Reed who buried a header past Robins' keeper Kierran Bearpark.

And the lead was doubled less than a minute later when Matt Broom drilled a low angled shot into the far corner.

Before the double strike Farway had held sway with a succession of corners but these came to nothing, while Charmouth, who came into the game as underdogs and with-

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out long serving skipper Paul Miners, were content to sit back and attempt to hit the Devonians on the break.

Manager Kevin Pratt shuffled his pack at half time bringing on Danny Rendell to partner Bill Ward up front in an attempt to get back into the game.

But The Robins' chances were effectively ended just five minutes after the interval when Broom volleyed home his second to make it 3-0.

This did bring a rousing response from Charmouth and three minutes later left back Matt Tipping set off on a ram-paging run up the line before crossing for Ward to net at the near post.

And they almost got a second moments later when

Hakim Bibb hustled his way to the line, his cross found Brin Seward six yards out but he guided his shot the wrong side of the upright.

The missed chance marked the end of Charmouth's hopes and substitute Matt Reed coolly curled home Farway's fourth from 20 yards in the 68th minute.

Pratt then threw caution to the win and went to three at the back and Charmouth did grab a consolation second when sub Jamie Smith headed home from a corner for his first goal of the season but Farway deservedly lifted their second trophy in 48 hours.

Farway Utd: Josh Allen, Brad King, Ernie Stobbs (Capt), Ollie Reed, Tom Olive, Billy Reed, Matt Broom, Jack Murrell, Fabio Sousa, Josh Gamble. Subs; Ben Williams, Matt Reed, Steve Hallett, Charlie Horn, Liam Rogers.



■ **BECOMING A HABIT:** Farway United players celebrate after beating Charmouth 4-2 in Friday's Tommy Tabberer Cup Final having lifted the Ken Hodges Cup just 48 hours previously.
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